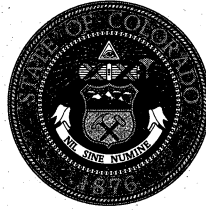


Honorary Proclamation



BILL RITTER, JR.
GOVERNOR

COLORADO POLLINATOR WEEK June 22 – 28, 2010

WHEREAS, natural pollinators such as birds and insects are vital to the cycle of life, pollinating the plants that are essential to our food supply; and

WHEREAS, the environment relies primarily on pollination, as our forests, grasslands, and other natural habitats are formed due to pollination and produce many of the natural products we depend on; and

WHEREAS, pollinator species create the necessary conditions to maintain healthy, biodiverse ecosystems; and

WHEREAS, pollination has far-reaching effects, starting the process that leads to many of the fundamental basics we take for granted – oxygen, economic activity, wildlife, home improvement; and

WHEREAS, the State of Colorado recognizes pollinators as essential to the health and happiness of Coloradans, and appreciates the natural beauty that pollinators have created in our great state;

Therefore, I, Bill Ritter, Jr., Governor of the State of Colorado, do hereby proclaim June 22 – 28, 2010,

POLLINATOR WEEK

in the State of Colorado.

*GIVEN under my hand and the
Executive Seal of the State of
Colorado, this third day of, 2010*

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bill Ritter, Jr." with a stylized flourish at the end.

Bill Ritter, Jr.
Governor

