Proclamation

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of the

Commonwealth of Kentucky



To All To Whom These Lresents Shall Come:

- WHEREAS, Pollinator species such as birds and insects are essential partners of farmers and ranchers in producing much of our food supply; and
- WHEREAS, Pollination plays a vital role in the health of our national forests and grasslands, which provide forage, fish and wildlife, timber, water, mineral resources and recreational opportunities, as well as enhanced economic development opportunities for communities; and
- WHEREAS, Pollinator species provide significant environmental benefits that are necessary for maintaining healthy, biodiverse ecosystems; and
- WHEREAS, The Commonwealth has managed wildlife habitats and public lands such as state forests and grasslands for decades; and
- WHEREAS, The Commonwealth has given conservation assistance to producers to promote wise conservation stewardship, including the protection and maintenance of pollinators and their habitats on working lands and wild lands;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, STEVEN L. BESHEAR, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby proclaim June 15-21, 2015, as

POLLINATOR WEEK

in Kentucky, and urge all citizens to recognize this observance.

DONE AT THE CAPITOL, in the City of Frankfort the 18th day of May, in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand Fifteen and in the 223rd year of the Commonwealth.

STEVEN L. BESHEAR

GOVERNOR

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