

State of North Carolina

PAT McCRORY

GOVERNOR

POLLINATOR WEEK

2015

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

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 and water, as well as mineral and recreational resources; and

WHEREAS, pollinator species provide significant environmental benefits that are necessary for maintaining healthy, biodiverse ecosystems; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina has managed wildlife habitats and public lands such as North Carolina forests and grasslands for decades; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina provides producers with conservation assistance to promote wise stewardship, including the protection and maintenance of pollinators and their habitats;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PAT McCRORY, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim June 15-21, 2015, as "**POLLINATOR WEEK**" in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this tenth day of March in the year of our Lord two thousand and fifteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirty-ninth.



PAT McCRORY

Governor