

Proclamation

WHEREAS, pollination plays a vital role in the health of our nation's 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, pollinator species such as birds and insects are essential partners of farmers and ranchers in producing much of our food supply; and

WHEREAS, the State of Hawai'i has managed wildlife habitats and public lands such as state forests and grasslands for decades; and


WHEREAS, the State of Hawai'i will continue to provide conservation assistance to promote stewardship and sustainability, including the protection and maintenance of pollinators and their habitats;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor of the **State of Hawai'i**, do hereby proclaim June 22–28, 2020 as

“HAWAI'I POLLINATOR WEEK”

and ask the people of the Aloha State to join me in recognizing the importance of pollinator species and protecting pollinators and maintaining their habitats to ensure healthy ecosystems and food security.

Done at the State Capitol in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twenty-first day of May 2020.



DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i