NORTH DAKOTA

= PROCLAMATION ===

POLLINATOR WEEK

JUNE 21-27, 2021

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 necessary for maintaining healthy, biodiverse ecosystems; and

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

WHEREAS, the State of North Dakota provides producers with conservation assistance to promote wise conservation stewardship, including the protection and maintenance of pollinators and their habitats on working lands and wildlands.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim June 21-27, 2021, POLLINATOR WEEK in the State of North Dakota.

Doug Burgum GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Alvin A. Jaeger SECRETARY OF STATE