State of Nevada

Executive Department

A Proclamation by the Governor

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 State of Nevada has managed wildlife habitats and public lands such as Nevada forests and grasslands for decades, and agriculture continues to be a vital industry that is critical to our state's continued success; and*

WHEREAS, *the State of Nevada 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, I, BRIAN SANDOVAL, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, *do hereby proclaim the week of June 20-26, 2016 as*

NEVADA POLLINATOR WEEK

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Nevada to be affixed at the State Capitol in Carson City, this 3rd day of June, 2016.

Governor

By the Governor:

Barbara K. Cegavske

Secretary of State

By

Deputy