



City of Ashland
PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, pollinator species such as thousands of species of bees are essential partners in producing much of our food supply; and

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

WHEREAS, pollination plays a vital role for the trees and plants of our community, enhancing our quality of life, and creating recreational and economic development opportunities; and

WHEREAS, for decades the City of Ashland has managed urban landscapes and public lands that include many municipal parks and greenways, as well as wildlife habitats; and

WHEREAS, the City of Ashland provides recommendations to developers and residents regarding landscaping to promote wise conservation stewardship, including the protection of pollinators and maintenance of their habitats in urban and suburban environments; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council and Mayor do hereby proclaim the week of June 18th-24 as City of Ashland's observance of:

National Pollinator Week

And, the City of Ashland as an affiliate of:

Bee City USA®

and urge all citizens to recognize this observance.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of City of Ashland to be affixed this 19th day of June, 2018.