City of Ashland, Oregon **PROCLAMATION**

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

WHEREAS, pollinators provide significant environmental benefits that are necessary for maintaining healthy, diverse ecosystems in towns and cities; 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, the City of Ashland manages parks, public landscaping, and other public lands that may include greenways and 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; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Stromberg, Mayor of the City of Ashland, do hereby proclaim the week of June 22, 2020 as our municipality's observance of

National Pollinator Week

And, as Ashland is an affiliate of

Bee City USA®

do urge all citizens to recognize this observance.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of Ashland, Oregon to be affixed this 16 day of June, 2020.

