

Proclamation

Pollinator Week

WHEREAS, in October 2014, the Town of Carrboro became the third municipality in the nation to be recognized as a Bee City USA and, in doing so, agreed to meet the standards required of all Bee City USA affiliates, including an annual celebration of National Pollinator Week or other appropriate occasion through events, proclamations, and promotions that showcase the Town's commitment to being a Bee City USA; and

WHEREAS, a goal of Bee City USA is to promote healthy, sustainable habitats for bees and other pollinators; and

WHEREAS, pollinator species are essential partners in producing much of our food supply and provide significant environmental benefits necessary for maintaining healthy, diverse urban and suburban ecosystems; and

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

WHEREAS, bees and other pollinators around the globe have experienced dramatic declines due to a combination of habitat loss, use of pesticides, and the spread of pests and diseases, with grave implications for the health of flora and fauna; and

WHEREAS, cities and their residents have the opportunity to support bees and other pollinators on both public and private lands; and

WHEREAS, the Town has worked to create pollinator habitats by installing native bee nest boxes, establishing a pollinator garden, and planting pollinator-friendly vegetation to restore a riparian buffer;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Damon Seils, mayor of the Town of Carrboro, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim June 19th through June 25th, 2023, to be Pollinator Week in Carrboro. I encourage all residents to learn about the vital role pollinators play in sustaining our natural environment and to join efforts to create pollinator-friendly habitats.

This the 15th day of June, 2023.



Damon Seils, Mayor

