

**Pollinator Appreciation Month
September 2019**


Boulder's 550 native bee species, butterflies, hummingbirds, beetles, flies and other pollinators provide an essential service. Together, they maintain the health and beauty of our grasslands, forests, meadows and other natural areas. Native pollinators and honeybees are indispensable partners in the production of our food supply. Pollinators are essential for the diverse and thriving ecosystems that support all life.

Around the world, pollinators, as well as the majority of insects, are declining precipitously. This is placing our food security, natural environment and human wellbeing in peril. Urgent action is required by all communities. We must respond to the biodiversity crisis. We must develop innovative and equitable solutions to transform our food system. We must provide high quality wildlife habitat in both urban and natural lands. And we must act now.

As our community enjoys the bountiful autumn harvest, and as we see the regeneration of our natural lands from the tireless work of pollinators, the City Council of the City of Boulder, Colorado, declares September 2019

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and commits to taking action by collaborating with Boulder's residents, businesses and institutions to join together to protect pollinators and all biodiversity for current and future generations.



Suzanne Jones, Mayor

