REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING DATE:	June 6, 2016
SUBJECT:	Proclamation – 2016 National Pollinator Week
PRESENTER:	Rachel Kipar, Environmental Programs Coordinator
ATTACHMENTS:	Yes 1.) Proclamation

SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

The Henderson County Board of Commissioners are requested to proclaim the week of June 18-25, 2016 as Pollinator Week and encourage all Henderson County officials, employees, schools and residents to participate in local Pollinator Week activities.

A variety of educational and interactive events for all ages are scheduled to take place throughout Henderson County during the week of June 18-25, 2016, hosted by certified City of Hendersonville Bee City USA® with partners from local non-profits, businesses, camps, and conservation organizations.

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

The Board is requested to adopt the attached Proclamation as presented.

SUGGESTED MOTION:

I move that the Board adopt the attached Proclamation designating June 18-25, 2016 as Pollinator Week.

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PROCLAMATION

Pollinator Week June 18-25, 2016

WHEREAS, Pollinator Week is celebrated annually by communities across the United States to bring awareness to the importance of supporting pollinator species of all types through a week of community-based activities and events to learn about the integral part pollinators play in our daily lives; and

WHEREAS, pollinators, 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, biodiverse 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, Henderson County manages urban landscapes and public lands that include many municipal parks and greenways, as well as wildlife habitats; and

WHEREAS, Henderson County provides conservation assistance to promote wise conservation stewardship, including the protection and maintenance of pollinators and their habitats;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that we, the Henderson County Board of Commissioners, do hereby designate the week of June 18-25, 2016 as Pollinator Week in Henderson County and encourage all Henderson County officials, employees, schools and residents to participate in local Pollinator Week activities.

Adopted this the 6th day of June, 2016

THOMAS THOMPSON, CHAIRMAN HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST:

TERESA L. WILSON, CLERK TO THE BOARD