

**City of Seaside
PROCLAMATION**



**Pollinator Week
June 17-23, 2019**

WHEREAS, twelve years ago the U.S. Senate's unanimous approval and designation of a week in June as "National Pollinator Week" marked a necessary step toward addressing the urgent issue of declining pollinator populations; and

WHEREAS, Pollinator Week has now grown into an international celebration of the valuable ecosystem services provided by bees, birds, butterflies, bats and beetles; and

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

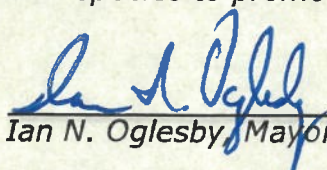
WHEREAS, pollination plays a vital role for the trees and plants of our community, enhancing our quality of life, and creating recreational and economic development opportunities; and

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

WHEREAS, the City of Seaside provides recommendations to developers and residents regarding native landscaping to promote conservation stewardship, and will continue to develop information regarding the protection of pollinators and maintenance of their habitats in urban and suburban environments; and

WHEREAS, the City of Seaside became a BEE CITY USA Affiliate on April 4, 2019 and committed to increasing pollinator awareness and creating supporting habitats.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that, I, The Honorable Ian Oglesby, Mayor of the City of Seaside, California, on behalf of the City Council do hereby proclaim June 17th - 23rd, 2019 as "**Pollinator Week**" in the City of Seaside, and I urge all citizens to celebrate Pollinator Week and to support efforts to enhance native habitats to support pollinators, and Further, I urge all citizens to plant native species that support critical pollinator species to promote the well-being of this and future generations.


Ian N. Oglesby, Mayor
May 16, 2019.