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Sen. Pfaff introduces Joint Resolution designating June 2021 Pollinator Awareness Month in Wisconsin

(La Crosse, WI) – This morning, Senator Brad Pfaff (D-Onalaska), along with Rep. Lee Snodgrass (D-Appleton) and Rep. David Considine (D-Baraboo), introduced a Joint Resolution designating June 2021 Pollinator Awareness Month in Wisconsin.

As former Department of Agriculture Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) Secretary-designee, Senator Pfaff understands the critical role pollinators play in supporting agriculture in the United States. Wisconsin alone has several hundred types of pollinators that provide us with fruits, nuts, and vegetables. Over 108,000 acres in Wisconsin are dependent on these pollinators to produce apples, cranberries, cherries, green beans, and pickling cucumber crops.

Regarding the resolution, Senator Pfaff said, “Drawing attention to pollinators helps us remember the vital role they have in our \$105 billion agriculture economy.”

“Without bees, butterflies, and moths, we don’t have many of the grains, fruits, and vegetables that we depend upon daily. Pollinators are central to our ecosystem here and around the globe.”

“I’ve been fortunate enough to visit local beekeepers, see their hives, and further understand their far-reaching impact on our global food web. With this resolution, we’re trying to promote that same type of awareness.”

This resolution is part of the Pollinator Protection Package, four pieces of legislation introduced this morning to preserve pollinator species in Wisconsin.

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Senator Brad Pfaff represents the 32nd Senate District, which includes La Crosse, Vernon, Crawford, and southern Monroe County.