WHEREAS, native plant species are an important part of Idaho’s natural heritage, providing valuable aesthetic, economic and ecological contributions that make our state a special place to live; and

WHEREAS, Idaho enjoys amazing biodiversity, with more than 3,000 native plant species; and

WHEREAS, preserving native plant ecosystems is critical for protecting water quality, soils and Idaho’s natural beauty; and

WHEREAS, invasive species are a severe threat to our native plant ecosystems and biodiversity;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. “BUTCH” OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim April 22-28, 2018 to be

NATIVE PLANT APPRECIATION WEEK

in Idaho.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 22nd day of April in the year of our Lord two thousand and eighteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred forty-second and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty-eighth.

C.L. “BUTCH” OTTER
GOVERNOR

LAWERENCE DENNEY
SECRETARY OF STATE