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I support making April Oregon's Native Plant Appreciation Month. Oregon has 120 native plants which only grow in our state. These plants contribute to the ecological balance, biodiversity, water conservation, soil health, erosion control, cultural significance, historical value, and the economy. As an amateur wildflower enthusiast, I have photographed and recorded when and where these flowers and other plants such as ferns and mosses grow, and would mourn their loss. Native plants are important for Oregon and need to be celebrated and preserved. Thank you.