

# A STARK WARNING

Most people think of insects as a nuisance.

They don't realize that without them we are doomed.

~ UN Environment



**More than 40%** of insect species are declining and 1/3 are endangered.

The **rate of extinction** is 8 times faster than mammals, birds, and reptiles.

The **total mass** of insects is falling 2.5% a year, so they could vanish within a century, *threatening a catastrophic collapse of ecosystems.*