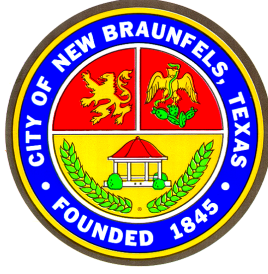


City of New Braunfels



Proclamation

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF COMAL §
CITY OF NEW BRAUNFELS §

WHEREAS, German emigration to the Republic of Texas was an important milestone in the history of New Braunfels, Texas, and the United States; and

WHEREAS, the first group of emigrants led by Prince Carl of Solms-Braunfels, crossed the Guadalupe River on Good Friday, March 21, 1845; and

WHEREAS, the Prince chose a site on the Comal River because of its abundant water, lush vegetation, and "a good omen;" and

WHEREAS, Prince Carl chose a site for a fort for the protection of the settlers which he called Sophienburg Hill; and

WHEREAS, the New Braunfels economy boasts a wonderful tourism industry due to the city's clear rivers, water recreation, beautiful parks, climate, entertainment, shopping, and many annual festivals; and

WHEREAS, 2015 marks the 170th anniversary of the founding of New Braunfels, and the citizens look forward to celebrating the 175th anniversary in 2020 to recognize the heritage, growth, and future of New Braunfels.

NOW THEREFORE, I, BARRON CASTEEL, Mayor of the City of New Braunfels, Texas, do hereby proclaim March 21, 2015 as

"FOUNDERS' DAY"

in New Braunfels, Texas, and urge all citizens to recognize this important historical date.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of New Braunfels to be affixed this the 23rd day of March, 2015.

CITY OF NEW BRAUNFELS

BARRON CASTEEL, Mayor