

# 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 170<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of New Braunfels, and the citizens look forward to celebrating the 175<sup>th</sup> 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 23<sup>rd</sup> day of March, 2015.

CITY OF NEW BRAUNFELS

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## **BARRON CASTEEL, Mayor**