



Proclamation

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

WHEREAS, the series of wars and conflicts in which our nation has been engaged over time, since World War II, has resulted in 5.5 million military and veteran caregivers who are parents, spouses, siblings, and friends, caring for those wounded, ill, or injured who have served our nation, as documented by the 2014 RAND study commissioned by the Elizabeth Dole Foundation; and

WHEREAS, the daily tasks of these military and veteran caregivers can include bathing, feeding, dressing, and caring for the grievous injuries of wounded warriors, administering medications, providing emotional support, caring for the family and the home, and working outside the home to earn essential income; and

WHEREAS, the nation provides multi-faceted support to our wounded, ill, and injured veterans and service members through public, private, and philanthropic resources, but their caregivers receive little support or acknowledgment; and

WHEREAS, most military and veteran caregivers consider the challenging work they do as simply carrying out their civic, and patriotic duty, without realizing they are, in fact, caregivers, and do not identify themselves as such; and

WHEREAS, an alarming number of military and veteran caregivers, according to research, are suffering numerous debilitating mental, physical, and emotional effects as a result of their caregiving duties; and

WHEREAS, the City of New Braunfels desires to recognize and support those who are serving in these vital roles in our own community,

NOW THEREFORE, be it proclaimed that I, Rusty Brockman, Mayor of the City of New Braunfels, Texas, proclaim that the City of New Braunfels becomes a Hidden Heroes City in support of military and veteran caregivers.

IN WITNESS WHERE, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of New Braunfels to be affixed this the 11th day of July 2022.

CITY OF NEW BRAUNFELS

RUSTY BROCKMAN, Mayor