



Proclamation

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

WHEREAS, the Texas Treasure Business Award program is an initiative of the Community Heritage Division of the Texas Historical Commission and was created to pay tribute to the state's well-established businesses that have been in continual operation for at least fifty years; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Treasure Business Award was created in 2005, and since then, over 500 Texas businesses have been recognized as a Texas Treasure Business; and

WHEREAS, in 1958 Roy Fischbeck opened Fischbeck Tractor and Welding on the corner of South Castell Avenue and Nacogdoches Street focusing on tractor and farm implement repair for local farmers and later chain saw sales and repairs; and

WHEREAS, in 1979, grandson Keith Wersterfer began working fulltime for his grandfather. In 1983 he acquired the business and began expanding and diversifying to include small, manufactured items and structural components and incorporating the business in 1991. Fischbeck Welding Incorporated later relocated to FM 483 in New Braunfels where a new shop was built to house more equipment and space for fabrication, moving material and product; and

WHEREAS, continued growth saw Fischbeck Welding move to Kohlenberg Road where the business tripled in size, adding two overhead cranes, forklifts, additional equipment, and offices. From humble beginnings, Fischbeck Welding evolved through hard work and diligence from farm implement repair into a structural steel fabricator serving south central Texas using state-of-the art technology to build the framing for schools, multi-rise buildings, and retail development; and

WHEREAS, Fischbeck Welding, Incorporated, is owned by Keith Wersterfer and his wife, Kimberly, with son Cole playing an integral role and continuing in the family business; and

WHEREAS, Fischbeck Welding Incorporated has been in business in New Braunfels, Texas, since 1958 and has received the Texas Historical Commission's prestigious Texas Treasure Business Award for its historical contributions and continuous operations in Texas; and

WHEREAS, the City of New Braunfels recognizes the importance of honoring and celebrating the contributions of legacy businesses to the economic vitality and community spirit of our city. The city is committed to supporting and promoting the Texas Treasure Business Award program to recognize and celebrate the heritage and success of our local businesses that have demonstrated enduring commitment and service to our community.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved, that I, Neal Linnartz, Mayor of the City of New Braunfels, Texas, hereby extend to Fischbeck Welding, Incorporated our sincere congratulations on receiving the

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from the Texas Historical Commission and may this recognition serve to increase your success for many years to come.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of New Braunfels to be affixed this the 26th day of August 2024.

CITY OF NEW BRAUNFELS

NEAL LINNARTZ, Mayor