



Proclamation

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

WHEREAS, The Braunfels Foundation Trust, established with a \$1,500 donation from Braunfels, Germany after the devastating 1972 flood, is a nonprofit organization providing technical and vocational scholarships to local students. The Living Legends program honors individuals who have made significant and well-known contributions to our city and county through their ongoing achievements; and

WHEREAS, in 1966 at the ripe age of three, Carol Johnson moved from Taylor, Texas to New Braunfels with her parents, Wallace and Dorothy, and brother, Gene, when the Johnsons bought the C.J. Ludewig Building and Furniture Company on Seguin Street and established Johnson Furniture Company; she attended Carl Schurz Elementary, New Braunfels Junior High, and New Braunfels High School where she was a member of the choir; and Carol later graduated from Southwest Texas State University with a degree in Interior Design; and

WHEREAS, after returning to New Braunfels, Carol worked in the family's business becoming involved in downtown New Braunfels' revitalization and preservation where under the Main Street Program, Carol served on boards including the Downtown Advisory Board and the Downtown Improvement Board and played a key role in organizing downtown events like Wassilfest; and

WHEREAS, Carol's dedication to historic preservation includes serving on the boards of the Heritage Society, the New Braunfels Conservation Society, and the Sophienburg Museum and Archives as well as serving on the Historic Comal County Courthouse Restoration Project and the Main Plaza Bandstand Restoration Committee; and Carol is a past board member of the Braunfels Foundation Trust and the New Braunfels Chamber of Commerce where she served as chair of the Beautification Committee; and further demonstrated love for her community serving on the boards of the Humane Society and Big Brothers Big Sisters; and

WHEREAS, Carol maintains a strong connection to Texas State University assisting with the interior design internship program, and is an active member of Gruene United Methodist Church where she serves on the Worship Team; and in 1989 purchased the family business which in 2023 received the Texas Historic Commission's Texas Treasure Business Award recognizing businesses in continuous operation for at least fifty years; and

WHEREAS, Carol has been recognized with the Chamber's Chair of the Board Award in Historic Preservation and their Hall of Honor Award.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved, that I, Neal Linnartz, Mayor of the City of New Braunfels, Texas, hereby proclaim Carol Johnson, as a

"Living Legend of New Braunfels"

and I do thereby call upon our citizens to join the Braunfels Foundation Trust in honoring New Braunfels' Living Legends.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of New Braunfels to be affixed this the 22nd day of September 2025.

CITY OF NEW BRAUNFELS

NEAL LINNARTZ, Mayor