



# Proclamation

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

**WHEREAS**, originally chartered as the Lions Club of New Braunfels on April 10, 1925, and later known as the New Braunfels Noon Lions Club, this organization has been an integral part of the community for 100 years, embodying the spirit of service and leadership; and

**WHEREAS**, Lions Clubs International is the world's largest service club organization, with more than 1.35 million members in over 220 nations and geographic areas, united by the motto "We Serve"; and

**WHEREAS**, Lions Clubs International focuses on five core pillars of service: Vision: Preventing blindness and improving quality of life for people who are blind or visually impaired; Hunger: Ensuring access to nutritious food for all community members; Diabetes: Reducing the prevalence of diabetes and enhancing the quality of life for those diagnosed; Childhood Cancer: Supporting programs that assist children with cancer and their families; Environment: Protecting and restoring the environment to promote community well-being; and

**WHEREAS**, Lions Clubs International also supports additional causes, including disaster relief for communities affected by natural disasters, youth programs that encourage positive choices, and humanitarian aid such as medical supply donations, refugee assistance, and emergency support; and

**WHEREAS**, the New Braunfels Noon Lions Club also supports the Texas Lions Camp, which provides, at no cost, a transformative camping experience for children with physical disabilities, hearing or vision impairments, and diabetes from across Texas. The camp fosters a "Can Do" philosophy, empowering campers to achieve personal growth, build self-esteem, and embrace their abilities; and

**WHEREAS**, since its inception, the New Braunfels Noon Lions Club has expanded its impact by sponsoring the formation of 25 other Lions Clubs across the Central Texas region, furthering the mission of service and strengthening communities throughout the area; and

**WHEREAS**, for a century, the New Braunfels Noon Lions Club has exemplified the Lions' mission by making a profound impact in the local community through service, leadership, and philanthropy; and

**WHEREAS**, the New Braunfels Noon Lions Club has made a lasting impact on the community by contributing hundreds of thousands of dollars to local causes, funding its charitable work through dedicated volunteer efforts at events such as the Comal County Fair, the Wurstfest parking lot, the Wurstfest food booth, and various other fundraising activities throughout New Braunfels; and

**WHEREAS**, the New Braunfels Noon Lions Club supports vision-related initiatives, including the performance of tens of thousands of vision screenings in local schools and the donation of thousands of eyeglasses to community members in need; and

**WHEREAS**, beyond fundraising, the New Braunfels Noon Lions Club provides countless hours of volunteer service to numerous organizations and events across the community, further demonstrating its commitment to making a positive difference in the lives of residents; and

**WHEREAS**, the New Braunfels Noon Lions Club also honors and commemorates important national holidays and events by raising flags around the city center, fostering a spirit of patriotism and community pride; and

**WHEREAS**, for a century, the New Braunfels Noon Lions Club has played a vital role in the development of community leaders, cultivating a legacy of civic engagement and philanthropy that continues to strengthen the New Braunfels community.

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it resolved, that I, Neal Linnartz, Mayor of the City of New Braunfels, Texas, hereby proclaim April 10, 2025, as

**"NEW BRAUNFELS NOON LIONS CLUB CENTENNIAL DAY"**

in New Braunfels, and I urge all citizens to recognize and celebrate the remarkable contributions and century-long service of the New Braunfels Noon Lions Club.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of New Braunfels to be affixed this the 10<sup>th</sup> day of March 2025.

**CITY OF NEW BRAUNFELS**

**NEAL LINNARTZ, Mayor**