



Proclamation

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

WHEREAS, Cinco de Mayo, a proud moment in Mexican history, celebrates the victory of Mexican farmers and villagers over a trained and organized French army bent on colonization on May 5, 1862, in the city of Puebla, Mexico; and

WHEREAS, this victory came to symbolize the determination of the people of Mexico to remain free and independent, and today Cinco de Mayo serves as a source of great pride for Mexicans and Mexican Americans, and is celebrated throughout the City of New Braunfels and the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, each year, Cinco de Mayo recalls the indomitable spirit of the Mexican people who continue to make significant contributions to our City and State, and the celebration also serves to enhance appreciation, among us all, for precious freedom and its value in our daily lives; and

WHEREAS, marked by festivities that illustrate the pride of the Mexican community, this event is a fitting means by which to commemorate a defining date in Mexican history, and it is furthermore appropriate that Texans of all cultural backgrounds join with our Mexican-American friends in celebrating the two ideals of friendship and liberty that our countries have fought to protect; and

WHEREAS, the vibrant Hispanic influence can be seen in all aspects of Texan life and culture. In the arts, the sciences, the business world, academia, and government, Hispanic Americans have enriched our country's heritage; and

WHEREAS, Hispanic Americans are devoted to family, faith, country, and hard work, they bring unique perspectives and experiences to our national community and character.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BARRON CASTEEL, Mayor of the City of New Braunfels, do hereby proclaim the 5th of May, 2017 as

“CINCO DE MAYO DAY”

In the City of New Braunfels and urge all citizens to join in the activities designed to commemorate this celebration.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of New Braunfels to be affixed on this the 24th day of May, 2017.

CITY OF NEW BRAUNFELS

BARRON CASTEEL, Mayor