



Proclamation

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

WHEREAS, May is National Bike Month, established in 1956 by the League of American Bicyclists. It is celebrated in Texas and in hundreds of communities from coast to coast; and

WHEREAS, throughout the month of May communities will celebrate with a variety of experiences such as a bike to work week, bike to school day, cyclofemme or a bike walk and roll challenge; and

WHEREAS, the bicycle is an economical, healthy, convenient and environmentally sound form of transportation that brings recreation and enjoyment of a community's historic and scenic beauty; and

WHEREAS, New Braunfels offers a variety of attractions downtown, at our parks, trails and rivers for residents and visitors to enjoy on bike; and

WHEREAS, creating a bicycle-friendly community has been shown to improve citizens' health and well-being, grow the local economy, attract tourism dollars, improve traffic safety, support student learning outcomes, and reduce pollution, congestion and wear and tear on our streets and roads; and

WHEREAS, BikeTexas, the League of American Bicyclists, New Braunfels Cycling, schools, parks and recreation departments, police departments, public works departments, hospitals, companies, metropolitan planning organizations, and civic groups will be promoting bicycling during the month of May; and

WHEREAS, these groups also promote greater public awareness of bicycle operation and safety education in an effort to reduce collisions, injuries and fatalities, and improve health and safety for everyone on the road.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BARRON CASTEEL, Mayor of the City of New Braunfels, Texas, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2018 as

BIKE MONTH

for the City of New Braunfels, and I urge all citizens to celebrate Bike Month by getting out on your bike with family, friends and co-workers, and support a fun way to recreate and an active way to travel. Furthermore, I urge all citizens to find a reason to ride not only in May but all summer long.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of New Braunfels to be affixed this 14th day of May 2018.

CITY OF NEW BRAUNFELS

BARRON CASTEEL, Mayor