



Proclamation

THE STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF COMAL §

CITY OF NEW BRAUNFELS §

WHEREAS, the New Braunfels 1918 Fire Station, located at 131 Hill Avenue, has been awarded a Texas Historical Commission Marker designating it to be a Recorded Texas Historical Landmark and the history of the site to be a significant part of Texas history; and

WHEREAS, the designer of the 1918 Fire Station was Leo MJ Dielmann from San Antonio, and the bid was awarded to New Braunfels contractor, Adolph F. Moeller, and

WHEREAS, the two-story brick and mortar building was designed with Mission Revival and Prairie School influences, and represents the first major modernization of firefighting, including mechanical trucks, paid staff, and sixty volunteers, and

WHEREAS, the New Braunfels 1918 Fire Station served as the City's first Fire Station, built seventy-three years after the town was founded in 1845, and served as Fire Station No. 1 for almost seventy years until April 1987 when a new Fire Station No. 1 was built next door; and

WHEREAS, the idea of converting the original Fire Station building into a museum came from Battalion Chief Darren Brinkkoeter; and

WHEREAS, the concept of a Fire Department Museum allowed for much of the original firefighting equipment to be saved and displayed in the museum; and

WHEREAS, a marker dedication will be held at 5:00pm on February 19, 2019, at the New Braunfels 1918 Fire Station.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that I, Barron Casteel, Mayor of the City of New Braunfels, Texas, wish to commend the New Braunfels Fire Department and the Comal County Historical Commission on their work in obtaining this marker and their dedication to historical preservation and recording the history of New Braunfels and Comal County, and encourage all citizens to recognize and attend this important historical event.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of New Braunfels to be affixed this 11th day of February 2019.

CITY OF NEW BRAUNFELS

BARRON CASTEEL, Mayor