



Proclamation

THE STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF COMAL §

CITY OF NEW BRAUNFELS §

WHEREAS, autism spectrum disorders are a broad range of conditions characterized by challenges with social skills, repetitive behaviors, speech and nonverbal communication; and

WHEREAS, autism spectrum disorders affect at least 1 in 68 children and an unknown number of adults in the United States regardless of gender, race, ethnicity, or socioeconomic background; and

WHEREAS, early, accurate diagnosis and appropriate education, intervention, and therapy are vital to the well-being of those with autism spectrum disorders; and

WHEREAS, persons with an autism spectrum disorder should have access to the care, services, and opportunities they need to be happy and to achieve their greatest potential; and

WHEREAS, the City of New Braunfels is honored to take part in the annual observance of World Autism Month and World Autism Awareness Day in the hope that it will lead to more research, better understanding, and acceptance of autism spectrum disorder.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BARRON CASTEEL, Mayor of the City of New Braunfels, do hereby proclaim the month of April 2019 as

AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH

to raise public acceptance and understanding of autism spectrum disorder, as well as to increase knowledge of the efforts that have been and are being made to support individuals with autism spectrum disorder and their families.

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 25th day of March 2019.

CITY OF NEW BRAUNFELS

BARRON CASTEEL, Mayor