



Proclamation

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COUNTY OF COMAL §

CITY OF NEW BRAUNFELS §

WHEREAS, Stevens Johnson Syndrome (SJS) was discovered in 1922 by two pediatricians, A.M. Stevens and F.C. Johnson, after they diagnosed a child with “severe ocular and oral involvement to a drug reaction”; and

WHEREAS, almost any medication, including over the counter drugs, can cause SJS affecting people of any age; and

WHEREAS, one to two million Americans are hospitalized annually as a result of taking recommended medications, of which ten percent do not recover; and

WHEREAS, the most commonly implicated drugs are anti-convulsants, antibiotics, and anti-inflammatory medications, and it is generally thought that Stevens Johnson Syndrome, commonly considered a rare disease, may be more prevalent due to the lack of accurately reported cases to the Federal Drug Administration.

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

STEVENS JOHNSON SYNDROME AWARENESS MONTH

and call upon all citizens to show their support for the families coping with SJS in New Braunfels.

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 26th day of August 2019.

CITY OF NEW BRAUNFELS

BARRON CASTEEL, Mayor