



State of Texas \*

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County of Comal \*

# Proclamation

## Recognizing the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of New Braunfels Gemischer Chor Harmonie

WHEREAS, New Braunfels was first founded and settled by brave and courageous German Immigrants in 1845 with the name of the city having German origin; and

WHEREAS, upon settling in their new environment, German Immigrants soon formed singing groups, singing German folk tunes and songs from many great composers; and

WHEREAS, many German communities had a singing group that celebrated with song, dances, plays, and parades; and

WHEREAS, in March 1850, New Braunfelsers organized the first formal German singing group in Texas, which was a male singing society; and

WHEREAS, in October 1853, New Braunfels hosted the first Sangerfest of the Deutsch-Texanisher Sangerbund; and

WHEREAS, in November 1937, a mixed singing group, with 46 men and women singers, was formed and today the New Braunfels Gemischer Chor Harmonie is the only remaining active German choir in Comal County; and

WHEREAS, the New Braunfels Gemischer Chor Harmonie is celebrating its 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Comal County Commissioners Court duly convened and acting in its capacity as the governing body of Comal County, does hereby recognize the work of the New Braunfels Gemischer Chor Harmonie and its members for its continuous support of the German heritage and culture, through their songs and music, and do proudly honor them on the occasion of their 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and encourage our citizens to congratulate the organization on its many accomplishments.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of November, 2017.

  
Sherman Krause, County Judge

  
Donna Eccleston, Commissioner Pct. 1

  
Scott Haag, Commissioner Pct. 2

  
Kevin Webb, Commissioner Pct. 3

  
Jen Crownover, Commissioner Pct. 4



Attest:

  
Bobbie Koepp, County Clerk