

State of Texas *
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County of Comal *

Proclamation

Recognizing the Julius Bremer Family and Rebecca Creek School with a Texas Historical Commission Subject Marker

WHEREAS, Julius Bremer Family and Rebecca Creek School has been awarded a Texas Historical Commission Subject Marker designating the history to be a significant part of Texas history; and

WHEREAS, Julius August Hermann Bremer (1848-1894) was born to a Comal County founding family of German immigrants and in 1867, at age 19, claimed 160 acres near Cranes Mill in northern Comal County, marrying the following year to Emma Amalie Foerster (1850-1923); and

WHEREAS, the Bremers built a two-story limestone house for their large family of eight surviving children where they raised livestock, farmed, as well as provided butcher and dairy services; and

WHEREAS, Julius Bremer eventually increased his land holdings to 1,069 acres and in 1882 deeded 5.4 acres west of his home for the one room Rebecca Creek School, serving as a trustee; and

WHEREAS, the school served students from first through eighth grades, who walked or rode horses from both sides of the Guadalupe River in the settlements of Rebecca Creek, Cranes Mill and Potters Creek; and

WHEREAS, Albert Wunderlich (1853-1889), whose maternal grandfather Joachim Pantermuehl founded the Rebecca Creek Settlement in 1854, served as the first teacher from 1882 to 1888; and

WHEREAS, after nearly sixty years in operation, the school closed in 1941, and the Comal Independent School District honored the legacy of the school by naming a new Rebecca Creek School nearby; and

WHEREAS, the sponsors of the marker are Sally Startz Blacksmith, Mark Krueger, and Paula Rieker who researched and wrote the marker narrative; and

WHEREAS, a marker dedication will be held at 10:00 am on Saturday, April 22, 2023 at the Bremer home site at 973 Mystic Shores Blvd. in the Mystic Shores subdivision, Spring Branch, Texas 78070.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Commissioners Court of Comal County, Texas, duly convened and acting in its capacity as the governing body of Comal County and the Comal County Historical Commission wish to commend Sally Startz Blacksmith, Mark Krueger, and Paula Rieker on their work towards receiving this marker and their dedication to historical preservation and recording the history of Comal County.

PASSED AND APPROVED this the 20th day of April, 2023.


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

