

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Since 2007, the Bastrop Main Street Program has served as a catalyst in the revitalization of the downtown commercial district; and

WHEREAS, This revitalization initiative has found voice in the investment of more than \$5.1 million of private and public investment in the downtown business district, in increasing business activity and in bringing new businesses and new jobs to downtown; and

WHEREAS, This revitalization has restored among our citizens their awareness of the downtown business district as a vital, viable and vibrant city core; and

WHEREAS, This revitalization initiative has been pursued with careful and loving preservation and restoration of Bastrop's downtown architectural treasures; and

WHEREAS, The revitalized downtown has created a remarkable asset anchoring Bastrop's desire to substantially augment the role that heritage tourism will play in Bastrop's destiny and has brought state and national recognition to our city, most recently in the naming of Bastrop to an elite list of U.S. "Distinctive Destinations" by the National Trust for Historic Preservation; and

WHEREAS, Bastrop's accomplishments depended—and its ongoing success depends—on the long hours, unflagging energies and heartfelt commitment of the Program's wonderful volunteers and of its partners—downtown property owners and businesses, the City of Bastrop, the Bastrop Economic Development Corporation, the Chamber of Commerce, the Downtown Business Alliance, the Bastrop Historical Society and other public interest groups.

THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Mayor and City Council of Bastrop, Texas, during this third-year celebration of the program, does hereby

- Salute the Bastrop Main Street Program, its volunteers and its partners on truly becoming a "Distinctive Destination",
- Express our deep pride in and appreciation of all the human and financial resources that have been invested in this special place and
- Pledge our continuing confidence and support of this ongoing initiative.

In witness thereof, I have set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Bastrop to be affixed this 9th day of February 2010.



Terry Orr
Terry Orr, Mayor
City of Bastrop