



## Landmark Property Designation

### Schertz-Cibolo Cemetery

### 93 Bubbling Springs Road

DECEMBER 3 , 2024

**WHEREAS**, The City of Schertz and the Schertz Historical Preservation Committee (SHPC) feel it important to recognize places that represent unique features of the City landscape either by their nostalgic, aesthetic, architectural, historic or symbolic character; and

**WHEREAS**, The City of Schertz specifically desires to recognize and promote awareness of those places that comprise the most valued historic elements of the community's past through increased awareness of their existence; and

**WHEREAS**, The City of Schertz desires to recognize places that represent unique features of the City landscape, neighborhood development, aesthetic architectural, or symbolic character, through the creation of either heritage neighborhoods or landmark property designations; and

**WHEREAS**, The heritage neighborhood and/or landmark property designations shall be of such a nature as to be free of the designation status as per Chapter 442, Section 315.006, of the Texas Government Code; and

**WHEREAS**, A Dietz' family land deed from 1908 expressly sets aside a one acre parcel of land for a cemetery with instructions it never be sold; and

**WHEREAS**, The oak trees, which are now approaching 300 years old, continue to symbolically embrace those first farmworker families and provide enduring shade for descendants and visitors to the burial ground today; and

**WHEREAS**, Ottomar "Pat" Dietz, grandson to Ferdinand Dietz, deeded the cemetery property over to the Schertz-Cibolo Cemetery Association in 1973 and the Association bought an adjacent two acres from the Dietz family in 1982; and

**WHEREAS**, The catastrophic flood of 1998 caused damage to fragile grave markers as well as to the grounds of the cemetery. Several of the older, more fragile tombstones were not able to be recovered; and

**WHEREAS**, The descendants of these early farmworkers have become professionals in their respective fields and businesses as well as becoming officers in all branches of the US military. They have maintained a strong bond to this cemetery with their volunteerism and, through their efforts, have maintained the honor and respect of this ancestral resting place.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ralph Gutierrez, Mayor of the City of Schertz, Texas do hereby  
proclaim,**

**93 Bubbling Springs Road, Schertz Texas the site of Schertz-Cibolo Cemetery  
as a Landmark Property.**

I encourage all residents of the City of Schertz to recognize and honor the importance of this place in our great  
city.

**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF,** I have signed  
my name officially and caused the Seal of the  
City of Schertz to be affixed on this the 3rd of  
December 2024.

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Ralph Gutierrez, Mayor