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Seven Downtown Harlingen Businesses Nominated for the Texas Treasure Business Award

Seven Downtown Harlingen businesses have been nominated for the Texas Treasure Business Award. The prestigious award from the Texas Historical Commission (THC) honors businesses that have been in continuous for-profit operation in the State of Texas for at least 50 years. The nomination forms, including a brief history of each business, photos, and other materials, were compiled by the Downtown Harlingen office, and submitted to the THC by Senator Eddie Lucio, Jr., on August 2, 2013.

The seven businesses which have been nominated include: Grimsell's Seed Company, 213 W. Monroe, (estab. 1909); Army Surplus Supply, 306 W. Jackson (estab. 1946); Alexandre's Fine Jewelry, 202 E. Jackson (estab. 1958); Rio Elevator Company, Inc., 113 W. Madison (estab. 1951). Additionally, three law firms were nominated: Adams & Graham, L.L.P., 134 E. Van Buren, Ste. 301 (estab. 1958); Bonner & Bonner, 103 S. Third Street (estab. 1957); and McCullough & McCullough (323 E. Jackson, (estab. 1946).

Another Downtown Harlingen business, Roberts Jewelry, 216 E. Jackson, already displays the special Texas Treasure Business Award decal on their front door. In 2007, Roberts Jewelry was one of the first businesses in the state to receive the award, when they celebrated 85 years of operation.

The Texas Historical Commission says it will take about 30 days to process the nominations. If approved, an award ceremony and celebration will be held in Downtown Harlingen this fall.

For more information about the Texas Treasure Business Award, contact the THC at 512.463.6100 or visit www.thc.state.tx.us.

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