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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE — 2023-2024 REGULAR SESSION

SENATE RESOLUTION

NO. 7

Introduced by Senator Min (Coauthors: Senators Nguyen, Umberg, Wahab, and Wiener)

January 04, 2023

Relative to the Lunar New Year.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SR 7, Min.

WHEREAS, January 22, 2023, will mark the beginning of the Lunar New Year, which is celebrated in many Asian communities around the world, including in the United States and especially in California; and

WHEREAS, California is home to nearly 6,000,000 Asian and Pacific Islander Americans of Bangladeshi, Cambodian, Chinese, Filipino, Hmong, Indian, Indonesian, Iu-Mien, Japanese, Korean, Laotian, Malaysian, Pakistani, Sri Lankan, Taiwanese, and Vietnamese descent; and

WHEREAS, The Asian and Pacific Islander American communities have contributed to the social, cultural, civic, economic, and academic success of California; and

WHEREAS, The Lunar New Year is predominantly celebrated by the 2,500,000 Chinese, Korean, Vietnamese, and Iu-Mien residents of California: and

WHEREAS, The Lunar New Year is universally celebrated by these communities as a time to renew family ties and to start the new year with a clean slate; and

WHEREAS, This Lunar New Year is the Year of the Rabbit; and

WHEREAS, The celebration of the Lunar New Year in communities throughout California illustrates the state's rich cultural history and commitment to racial, religious, and cultural diversity; and

WHEREAS, The passing and signing of Assembly Bill No. 2596 of the 2021–22 Regular Session (Chapter 792 of the Statutes of 2022) adds the Lunar New Year to the list of official California state holidays; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, That the Legislature joins Asian and Pacific Islander communities throughout the state in celebrating January 22, 2023, as the beginning of the Lunar New Year and extends best wishes for a peaceful and prosperous Lunar New Year to all Californians; and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.