



RESOLUTION

DESIGNATING THE FIRST DAY ON THE ASIAN LUNAR CALENDAR AS "ASIAN LUNAR NEW YEAR DAY" FOR THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

WHEREAS, a lunar calendar is based on the phases of the moon, with a lunar month being measured as the time between new moons and a lunar year consisting of twelve lunar months; and

WHEREAS, the new year on the Asian lunar calendar begins with the second new moon following the winter solstice, the day in December with the fewest daylight hours when the Northern Hemisphere is the most inclined away from the sun; and

WHEREAS, the new year marks the beginning of the Asian Lunar New Year celebration, also known as Spring Festival or Chinese New Year, which lasts 15 days and ends with the arrival of the full moon; and

WHEREAS, for example, the Asian Lunar New Year in 2006 took place between January 29 and February 13; and

WHEREAS, the lunar new year is a time of commemoration and celebration for more than a billion people in Asia and of Asian ancestry worldwide, including more than 12 million Asian-Americans; and

WHEREAS, other jurisdictions, including New York State, New York City, and Maryland, have adopted measures recognizing the Asian Lunar New Year; and

WHEREAS, forty-six percent of the city population is of Asian descent, the highest percentage of Asian residents out of all U.S. counties; and

WHEREAS, the council recognizes the special significance of the Asian Lunar New Year for these residents; now, therefore,



CITY COUNCIL
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No. 06-215

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BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that it hereby declares February 18, 2007 and the second new moon following the winter solstice thereafter as "Asian Lunar New Year Day" for the City and County of Honolulu.

INTRODUCED BY:

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DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

JUN 09 2006

Honolulu, Hawaii

Councilmembers

(OCS/060606/ct)

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Introduced: 6/9/06 By: CHARLES DJOU (BR)

Committee: EXECUTIVE MATTERS

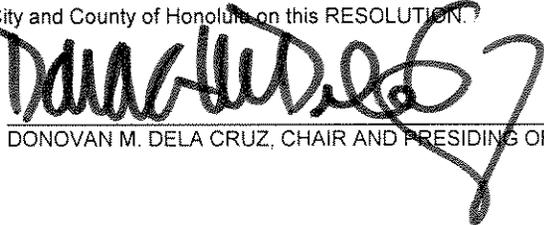
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I hereby certify that the above is a true record of action by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu on this RESOLUTION.


DENISE C. DE COSTA, CITY CLERK


DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, CHAIR AND PRESIDING OFFICER