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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the Asian American community's celebration of the Lunar New Year, 4713, the Year of the Monkey, on February 8, 2016

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to honor, with pleasure and great pride, the Asian American community of the State of New York upon the occasion of the celebration of the Lunar New Year; and

WHEREAS, The Lunar New Year is the most important and most popular of festivals observed by Asian Americans; it is always greeted with much preparation and much celebration; and

WHEREAS, According to legend, Buddha invited the animals of the world to visit him, rewarding those who came by naming a year in their honor; each animal in turn gave its characteristics to the people born in its year; and

WHEREAS, On February 8, 2016, in accordance with their calendar and beliefs, Asian Americans will joyously usher in the Year of the Monkey, 4713; and

WHEREAS, People born in the Year of the Monkey are very intelligent, well-liked by everyone, and will have success in any field they choose; and

WHEREAS, Those born under the sign of the Monkey are very energetic people and like lots of activity; and

WHEREAS, Being loyal, upbeat and good listeners are traits of those born under the sign of the Monkey; they can be with several types of people and fit in easily; and

WHEREAS, The unique beauty of Asian culture and the contribution of its people to literature, the arts and sciences, and the economy are well-known and well-appreciated around the world; the contributions of Asian Americans are especially bountiful throughout the Empire State and

are distinguished by their excellence; and

WHEREAS, Recognizing the significance of their contributions to the City and State of New York, this Legislative Body is proud to honor all New Yorkers of Asian ancestry, joining with them in welcoming the Year of the Monkey, 4713, on February 8, 2016; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the auspicious occasion of the celebration of the Lunar New Year, the Year of the Monkey; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to distinguished members of the Asian American community.