

SENATE RESOLUTION

8612

By Senators Nguyen and Hasegawa

1 WHEREAS, On this 5th day of February 2019, the people of
2 Washington join the celebration of the Lunar New Year, which is
3 observed in many Asian cultures around the world; and

4 WHEREAS, Asian Americans are an integral component of the diverse
5 fabric of Washington state, and are among the fastest growing
6 populations in Washington; and

7 WHEREAS, The Lunar New Year is an opportunity for Asian Americans
8 to celebrate the customs and traditions of their cultures and
9 religions with traditional foods, costumes, and spiritual practices;
10 and

11 WHEREAS, Festivals marking the Lunar New Year take place each
12 year in communities throughout our state, providing opportunities for
13 all to take part in this cultural experience; and

14 WHEREAS, The current makeup of the Washington State Legislature
15 is the most diverse in our state's history, and therefore a better
16 reflection of the people it serves; and

17 WHEREAS, This is a time to reflect on our successes and
18 challenges from the past, to learn from those experiences, and create
19 new goals and objectives for the coming year; and

20 WHEREAS, We commend this Lunar New Year tradition of familial
21 reunion and hope to reflect these practices as a unified legislative
22 body; and

1 WHEREAS, In observation of this Lunar New Year, the
2 Vietnamese zodiac is the pig. This animal sign is characterized
3 by honesty, sincerity, and hard work. May it inspire our chamber
4 to emulate these qualities;

5 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Senate commemorate
6 the many contributions of Washington state's Asian American
7 people and communities through recognition of the Lunar New
8 Year.

9 I, Brad Hendrickson, Secretary of the Senate,
10 do hereby certify that this is a true and
11 correct copy of Senate Resolution 8612,
12 adopted by the Senate
13 February 5, 2019

14 BRAD HENDRICKSON
15 Secretary of the Senate