

**Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 84**

**RESOLUTION CHAPTER 8**

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 84—Relative to the Lunar New Year 4706 celebration.

[Filed with Secretary of State March 3, 2008.]

**LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST**

ACR 84, Eng. Lunar New Year 4706 Celebration.

This measure would recognize the Lunar New Year 4706 celebration.

WHEREAS, February 7, 2008, will mark the beginning of the Lunar New Year 4706, which is celebrated in many Asian communities around the world, including the United States, and especially California; and

WHEREAS, California is home to over 4 million 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 community has contributed to the social, cultural, civic, economic, and academic success of the state; and

WHEREAS, The lunar new year is predominantly celebrated by the 1.7 million Chinese, Korean, and Vietnamese residents of California; and

WHEREAS, The Lunar New Year 4706 is the Year of the Rat and 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, The celebration of the lunar new year in communities throughout California illustrates the state's rich cultural diversity and commitment to racial, religious, and cultural tolerance; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate thereof concurring,* That the Members join Asian and Pacific Islander communities throughout the state in celebrating February 7, 2008, as the beginning of the Lunar New Year 4706 and extend best wishes for a peaceful and prosperous lunar new year to all Californians; and be it further

*Resolved,* That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies of this resolution to the authors for appropriate distribution.