

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 19

Introduced by Assembly Member Low
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Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 19—Relative to Lunar New Year celebration.

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ACR 19, as introduced, Low. Lunar New Year Celebration.

This measure would recognize the Lunar New Year Celebration on February 19, 2015.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, February 19, 2015, will mark the beginning of the
2 Lunar New Year, which is celebrated in many Asian communities
3 around the world, including in the United States and especially in
4 California; and
5 WHEREAS, California is home to over 5 million Asian and
6 Pacific Islander Americans of Bangladeshi, Cambodian, Chinese,
7 Filipino, Hmong, Indian, Indonesian, Iu-Mien, Japanese, Korean,
8 Laotian, Malaysian, Pakistani, Sri Lankan, Taiwanese, and
9 Vietnamese descent; and
10 WHEREAS, The Asian and Pacific Islander American
11 community has contributed to the social, cultural, civic, economic,
12 and academic success of the state; and

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

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

7 WHEREAS, The celebration of the lunar new year in
8 communities throughout California illustrates the state's rich
9 cultural history and commitment to racial, religious, and cultural
10 diversity; now, therefore, be it

11 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
12 *thereof concurring,* That the Members join Asian and Pacific
13 Islander communities throughout the state in celebrating February
14 19, 2015, as the beginning of the Lunar New Year and extend best
15 wishes for a peaceful and prosperous lunar new year to all
16 Californians; and be it further

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