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Senate Concurrent Resolution

No. 95

Introduced by Senator Pan

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Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 95—Relative to the Lunar New Year Celebration.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 95, as amended, Pan. Lunar New Year Celebration.

This measure would recognize the Lunar New Year Celebration.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, February 8, 2016, will mark the beginning of the
2 Lunar New Year, which is celebrated in many Asian communities
3 around the world, including the United States, and especially
4 California; and

5 WHEREAS, California is home to nearly 6 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 over 2.5 million Chinese, Korean, and Vietnamese residents of
3 California; and

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

8 WHEREAS, The celebration of the Lunar New Year in
9 communities throughout California illustrates the state's rich
10 cultural history and commitment to racial, religious, and cultural
11 diversity; now, therefore, be it

12 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
13 *thereof concurring*, That the Members join Asian and Pacific
14 Islander communities throughout the state in celebrating February
15 8, 2016, as the beginning of the Lunar New ~~Year~~ *Year, the Year*
16 *of the Fire Monkey*, and extend best wishes for a peaceful and
17 prosperous Lunar New Year to all Californians; and be it further

18 *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of
19 this resolution to the authors for appropriate distribution.