

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2021-4606, by Representatives Thai, Wicks, Cody, Entenman, Bateman, Shewmake, Berry, Wylie, Dolan, Senn, Bronoske, Springer, Taylor, Simmons, Ryu, Fitzgibbon, Davis, Ramel, Orwall, Dufault, Macri, Kloba, Callan, Ramos, Morgan, Harris-Talley, Stonier, Paul, Slatter, Fey, Walen, Valdez, Gregerson, and Santos

1           WHEREAS, On this 12th day of February 2021, the people of  
2 Washington join the celebration of the Lunar New Year to distinguish  
3 Asian American joy, culture, and diversity; and

4           WHEREAS, The Lunar New Year begins on the first new moon of the  
5 lunisolar calendar; and

6           WHEREAS, This year is designated as the Year of the Ox, a zodiac  
7 sign characterized by diligence, persistence, and honesty that we  
8 hope our chamber will strive to emulate; and

9           WHEREAS, The celebration of the Lunar New Year exhibits  
10 Washington's commitment to preserving cultural heritage and honoring  
11 the sacrifices of our Asian American ancestors; and

12           WHEREAS, Washington is home to nearly nine hundred thousand Asian  
13 and Pacific Islander Americans who are an integral component of the  
14 diverse fabric of our state; and

15           WHEREAS, We highlight the strength of Native Hawaiians and  
16 Pacific Islanders who were disproportionately impacted by Covid-19;  
17 and

18           WHEREAS, We acknowledge the resilience of Asian American  
19 frontline employees, essential workers, and small businesses through  
20 the challenges of the pandemic this year; and

21           WHEREAS, We recognize the perseverance of Asian communities who  
22 withstood xenophobia and racism for generations and from this  
23 pandemic; and

