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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the Asian-American community's celebration of the Lunar New Year, 4711, the Year of the Snake, on February 10, 2013

WHEREAS, With due cause and proper resolve, this Legislative Body honors the Asian-American community of the State of New York as it celebrates the Lunar New Year; and

WHEREAS, According to legend, Buddha invited the animals of the world to visit him, rewarding those who came by naming a year in their honor; each animal in turn gave its characteristics to the people born in its year; and

WHEREAS, According to popular story, the order of the Zodiac was decided by a great race in which the snake chose to be frugal with its effort and ride on the leg of the horse only to jump in front of it at the end; and

WHEREAS, The Asian-American community joyously ushers in the Year of the Snake, 4711 on February 10, 2013; and

WHEREAS, People born in the Year of the Snake are characterized by a strong endurance and willpower, reinforced by a strong work ethic and decision making skills; and

WHEREAS, Those born under the sign of the Snake enjoy a love of elegance and the arts, they seek out the beautiful sounds of music and the sensual scenery of the environment around them; and

WHEREAS, The Snake is known for a sense of diligence that is often applied to money in that it is usually lucky enough to own all that it needs; and

WHEREAS, Even in during a difficult period in their lives, those born in the Year of the Snake exhibit the ability to make light of the situation and recognize their faults; and

WHEREAS, The Lunar New Year, the most important and most popular of Asian festivals, exemplifies the rich and diverse cultural traditions of Asian-Americans; and

WHEREAS, New York State is blessed with many citizens of Asian descent; they are distinguished by their excellence and their contributions to all fields of endeavor; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is proud to honor all the citizens of New York State of Asian ancestry, joining with them in welcoming the Year of the Snake, 4711 on February 10, 2013; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the Lunar New Year celebration in New York City on February 10, 2013; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to distinguished members of the Asian-American community.