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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Houston Independent School District--Vietnamese  
2 American Community is celebrating the joyous occasion of Tet Nguyen  
3 Dan, the Vietnamese New Year, on February 9, 2005; and

4 WHEREAS, This special holiday marks the commencement of the  
5 year of the rooster and ushers in the spring season, a new  
6 beginning, when the Vietnamese community reflects on the past and  
7 makes plans for the future; and

8 WHEREAS, Tet begins on the first day of the first lunar month  
9 of the year and falls between the end of January and the middle of  
10 February; while the exact date of the New Year changes from year to  
11 year, the festive spirit of the season remains the same; and

12 WHEREAS, The eve of the holiday's three-day festival is spent  
13 cleaning houses and ancestral graves and preparing a ceremonial  
14 meal; the New Year traditionally serves as a time to reunite with  
15 family, renew special friendships, and remember past experiences,  
16 paving the way for good things to come; and

17 WHEREAS, The Houston Independent School District--Vietnamese  
18 American Community plays a vital role in the business,  
19 professional, and cultural life of the state, and Tet Nguyen Dan  
20 provides a fitting opportunity to salute these fine citizens on  
21 this special occasion and to celebrate our common goals of peace and  
22 harmony for all humanity; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas  
24 Legislature hereby recognize the Vietnamese New Year on February 9,

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1 2005, and extend to the Houston Independent School  
2 District--Vietnamese American Community best wishes for a healthy  
3 and happy New Year.