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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Vietnamese community of Texas begins the
2 celebration of Tet Nguyen Dan, the Vietnamese New Year, on February
3 18, 2007; and

4 WHEREAS, Better known simply as Tet, this annual event ushers
5 in the spring season, a time of renewal and reflection among
6 Vietnamese; this year's observance marks the commencement of the
7 year of the pig, a period in which bearing children is considered
8 auspicious; and

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

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

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

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
24 Legislature hereby recognize the Vietnamese New Year on February

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1 18, 2007, and extend to the Vietnamese community of Texas best
2 wishes for a prosperous and rewarding New Year.