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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Many Asian American residents of the Lone Star State
- 2 are celebrating the joyous occasion of the Lunar New Year on
- 3 February 10, 2013; and
- 4 WHEREAS, This special holiday marks the commencement of the
- 5 Year of the Snake and ushers in the spring season, a new beginning,
- 6 when the Asian community reflects on the past and makes plans for
- 7 the future; and
- 8 WHEREAS, The snake is considered a symbol of good luck, as
- 9 ancient wisdom suggests that finding a snake in the house is an omen
- 10 that the family within will never starve; many in the Asian
- 11 community believe that the Year of the Snake will be a time of
- 12 prosperity and peace; and
- WHEREAS, The Lunar New Year, known as Tet in the Vietnamese
- 14 community and as the Spring Festival in the Chinese community,
- 15 begins on the first day of the first lunar month of the year; the
- 16 exact date changes annually, falling somewhere between the end of
- 17 January and the middle of February, but the festive spirit of the
- 18 season remains constant; and
- WHEREAS, The eve of the holiday's three-day festival is spent
- 20 cleaning houses and ancestral graves and preparing a ceremonial
- 21 meal; the Lunar New Year traditionally serves as a time to reunite
- 22 with family members, renew special friendships, and remember past
- 23 experiences, in preparation for good things to come; and
- 24 WHEREAS, The Asian community plays a vital role in the

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- 1 business, professional, and cultural life of Texas, and the Lunar
- 2 New Year provides a fitting opportunity to recognize these fine
- 3 citizens and to celebrate our common goals of peace and harmony for
- 4 all humanity; now, therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
- 6 Legislature hereby commemorate the Lunar New Year on February 10,
- 7 2013, and extend to all who are celebrating the holiday sincere best
- 8 wishes for health and happiness in the coming year.

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	Speaker of the House
I certify that H.R. No. 326 w 5, 2013, by a non-record vote.	as adopted by the House on February
	Chief Clerk of the House