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1	[Lunar New Year 2024]
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3	Resolution celebrating 2024 as Year of the Dragon and recognizing February 10, 2024,
4	as the start of Lunar New Year 4722.
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6	WHEREAS, 2024 marks Lunar year 4722, the Year of the Dragon, which begins on
7	Saturday, February 10, 2024; and
8	WHEREAS, Celebrations for the Lunar New Year begin with the New Moon on the first
9	day of the new year and end on the full moon 15 days later; and
10	WHEREAS, The first Chinese New Year Parade took place in San Francisco's
11	Chinatown in 1885 with a 15-day celebration and a block-long golden dragon preceded by the
12	red pearl of potentiality; and
13	WHEREAS, In an effort to celebrate Chinatown and draw visitors to Chinese-owned
14	businesses, the Chinese Chamber of Commerce transformed the Chinese New Year
15	celebration into a Street Carnival at Portsmouth Square in 1953; and
16	WHEREAS, To further its efforts to promote Chinatown, the Chinese Chamber of
17	Commerce launched the first Miss Chinatown, U.S.A. beauty pageant in 1958 as part of the
18	New Year festivities; and
19	WHEREAS, The Chinese New Year parade draws a larger crowd each year with
20	increasingly more marching units and floats, and the San Francisco Chinese New Year
21	parade is the largest parade celebrating Chinese New Year outside of Asia; and
22	WHEREAS, The celebration of Chinese New Year in San Francisco has become a
23	culturally significant event and its grand parade is now a recognized civic pride event of our
24	city; and
25	WHEREAS, The annual Chinese New Year Festival and Parade that has

1	historically included the Miss Chinatown Pageant and Coronation Ball, has now expanded to
2	nearly month-long festivities that encompass a Flower Market Fair, Choy Sun Doe, Basketball
3	Jamboree, a Chinatown YMCA Run, and Community Street Fair, have provided an economic
4	boost to our local economy beyond just Chinatown; and
5	WHEREAS, The Lunar New Year may be known as Chinese New Year, but it is also
6	celebrated as Seollal in Korean communities, with the Tet Festival by the Vietnamese, and as
7	Losar in Tibet; and
8	WHEREAS, The Lunar New Year, also known as the Spring Festival, is a significant
9	holiday for Asian families to gather together, honor their ancestors, welcome the New Year
10	with hopes of prosperity and good health, and celebrate traditions and traditional foods; and
11	WHEREAS, The Dragon is a special creature in Chinese culture and is revered as
12	auspicious and powerful, has represented imperial power in China for centuries, and
13	represents nobility, prosperity, and wisdom; now, therefore, be it
14	RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco
15	bids farewell to 2023, Year of the Rabbit, and commits to celebrate Asian families and Lunar
16	New Year Festivities; and, be it
17	FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San
18	Francisco wishes all families good luck, prosperity, and continued good health in the Year of
19	the Dragon; and, be it
20	FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San
21	Francisco celebrates 2024 as the Year of the Dragon and recognizes February 10, 2024, as
22	the start of Lunar New Year 4722.
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Introduction Form

(by a Member of the Board of Supervisors or the Mayor)

I here	by subm	it the following item for introduction (select only one):				
	1.	For reference to Committee (Ordinance, Resolution, Motion or Charter Amendment)				
	2.	Request for next printed agenda (For Adoption Without Committee Reference) (Routine, non-controversial and/or commendatory matters only)				
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	4.	Request for Letter beginning with "Supervisor	inquires"			
	5.	City Attorney Request				
	6.	Call File No. from Committee.				
	7.	Budget and Legislative Analyst Request (attached written Motion)				
	8.	Substitute Legislation File No.				
	9.	Reactivate File No.				
	10.	Topic submitted for Mayoral Appearance before the Board on				
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