## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2019-4608, by Representative Thai

- 1 WHEREAS, On this fifth day of February in 2019, the people of 2 Washington join the celebration of the Lunar New Year, which is 3 observed in many Asian cultures around the world; and
- WHEREAS, Asian Americans are an integral component of the diverse fabric of Washington state, and are among the fastest-growing populations in Washington; and
- 7 WHEREAS, The Lunar New Year is an important cultural event when 8 Asian Americans celebrate their customs and traditions with 9 traditional foods, costumes, and spiritual practices; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Festivals marking the Lunar New Year take place each 11 year in communities throughout our state, providing opportunities for 12 all to take part in this cultural experience; and
- 13 WHEREAS, The current makeup of the Washington State Legislature 14 is the most diverse in our state's history, and therefore a better 15 reflection of the people it serves; and
- 16 WHEREAS, This is a time to reflect on our successes and 17 challenges from the past, to learn from those experiences, and create 18 new goals and objectives for the coming year; and
- 19 WHEREAS, We commend this Lunar New Year tradition of familial 20 reunion, and hope to reflect these practices as a unified legislative 21 body; and
- 22 WHEREAS, In observation of this Lunar New Year, we recognize this 23 year as the Year of the Pig, an animal sign characterized by honesty,

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1	sincerity, and peace-loving qualities that we hope our chamber will
2	strive to emulate;
3	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives
4	commemorate the many contributions of Washington state's Asian
5	American people and communities through recognition of the Lunar New
6	Year.
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8	I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of
9	Resolution 4608 adopted by the House of Representatives
10	January 30, 2019
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16	Bernard Dean, Chief Clerk

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