

Proclamation

“Chinese and Korean New Year”

January 22, 2023

Whereas, each year, the international community observes the Chinese and Korean New Year, this year starting on January 22, with celebrations taking place around the world for 15 days for the Chinese New Year and typically three days for the Korean New Year; and,

Whereas, the population of Adams County is approximately 4.5% Asian; and,

Whereas, each year is represented by the Yang or Yin form of one of the five elements and one of the 12 animals from the Chinese zodiac; and,

Whereas, 2023 is considered the Yin Water Rabbit year because its final digit lands on a three, which symbolizes a Yin year, while the rest of the Chinese calendar has entered its fifth element and fourth zodiac sign, water and rabbit, respectively; and,

Whereas, people who are born during the year of the Yin Water Rabbit are prophesized to be vigilant, witty, quick-minded, and ingenious, according to the Chinese zodiac; and,

Whereas, Adams County’s employee-led A-Proud affinity group, Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI), connects Asian, Asian American, and Pacific Islander employees and entrepreneurs to celebrate the diverse cultures and professional backgrounds within our communities; and,

Whereas, neighboring countries in Asia have created their own celebrations influenced by the Chinese New Year.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved, that the Board of Commissioners, of the County of Adams, State of Colorado, proclaims January 22, 2023 as

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and encourages all residents to honor the rich diversity of the Asian community and celebrate the many ways they contribute to our nation and society.

In witness whereof, we have set our hands and caused the seal of the county to be affixed January 17, 2023.