

Proclamation

“Lunar New Year”

February 10, 2024

Whereas, each year, the international community observes the Lunar New Year, this year starting February 10, with celebrations taking place around the world for many East and Southeast Asian cultures, including Chinese, Koreans, Vietnamese, and others; and,

Whereas, the population of Adams County is approximately 4.7% 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, this year is considered the Yang Wood Dragon because the year’s ending digit is an even number, which symbolizes a Yang year while the rest of the Chinese calendar has entered its first element and fifth zodiac sign, wood and dragon, respectively; and,

Whereas, people who are born during the year of the Yang Wood Dragon are believed to be ambitious, energetic, and charismatic, often inspiring others with their passion and enthusiasm. They are considered natural leaders, making them magnetic personalities in social and professional circles, 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 Lunar New Year.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved, that the Board of Commissioners, of the County of Adams, State of Colorado, proclaims February 10, 2024, 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 February 6, 2024.