

WHEREAS, Montgomery County is home to a multitude of cultures, languages and

traditions from around the world; and

WHEREAS, the Asian American and Pacific Islander community is now one of the

fastest growing communities in Montgomery County, representing over 15% of the total population; and has made innumerable contributions to the economic, cultural and civic growth of Montgomery County; and

WHEREAS, Lunar New Year is one of the most important holidays for many Asian

Americans living in Montgomery County; and

WHEREAS. Year 2021 is the Year of the Ox and marks a time of hard work,

steadiness and persistence which can lead to financial stability; and

WHEREAS, festivities across the County will showcase the richness of Asian culture

and highlight the importance of family togetherness.

NOW, THEREFORE DO I Marc Elrich as County Executive do hereby proclaim

February 12, 2021 as:

LUNAR NEW YEAR DAY

in Montgomery County I encourage our residents to join me in recognizing the contributions of the Asian American community and take part in the celebrations across the County.

Signed this 12th day of February in the year 2021

MARC ELRICH County Executive