Armondo Pavone Mayor



Proclamation

*Whereas,* the traditional Chinese Lunar New Year celebration, also known as the Spring Festival, dates back as early as the fourteenth century B.C.; and

*Whereas,* 2022 is the Year of the Tiger, which is a symbol of bravery, courage and strength, and those born during the Year of the Tiger are said to be born leaders; and

Whereas, the Lunar New Year is celebrated uniquely in many different Asian countries but regardless of the country, culture, religion or ethnicity, the day is a time for family reunions, gatherings, reaffirming bonds and reflection; and

*Whereas,* the diverse Asian community in Renton is home for many Asian families that have been here for generations as well as newer Asian immigrants; and

Whereas, the City of Renton, with its rich demographic diversity, beautiful parks, friendly and prosperous businesses, many community services, and excellent schools, has provided a welcoming environment for the Asian community to call Renton their home;

*Now, therefore,* I, Armondo Pavone, Mayor of the City of Renton, do hereby proclaim February 1, 2022, to be

Lunar New Year Day

in the City of Renton, and I encourage all members of the community to join me in this special observation.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Renton to be affixed this 7th day of February, 2022.

Almondo Pavone, Mayor City of Renton, Washington