

**HALFMOON TOWNSHIP  
CENTRE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2022-11**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HALFMOON, CENTRE COUNTY, RECOGNIZING  
LUNAR NEW YEAR AS FEBRUARY 1, 2022; THE YEAR OF THE TIGER**

Lunar New Year is an important holiday for many Asian communities around the world and for Americans of Asian origin, including those of Chinese, Korean, Vietnamese, Tibetan, Mongolian, Singaporean, Malaysian and Filipino heritage. The Lunar New Year traditions across these cultures are varied, but all focus on celebrating and strengthening family and community bonds.

The Lunar New Year/Spring Festival is based on the Lunar calendar, which includes the Chinese zodiac, or Sheng Xiao, a repeating 12-year cycle of animal signs and their ascribed attributes. Though the animal signs can vary across cultures, the Lunar New Year marks the transition from one animal to the next, with January 31, 2022 ending the Year of the Ox, and February 1, 2022 starting the Year of the Tiger. The tiger is the third of the 12 zodiac animal signs, and those born in the Year of the Tiger are often seen as brave, confident, and well-liked by others.

Centre County greatly benefits from the creativity, enterprise, skills, and diverse heritage of our Asian Pacific Desi American (APIDA) residents, some of whom are new immigrants, while others are first, second or even fifth generation Americans. Over 10,000 APIDA residents live, work, and play throughout the county's large and small communities, contributing to our economy and enriching the ethnic and social fabric of our community with multiple languages, cultures and religious beliefs. Like all major holidays around the globe, the Lunar New Year unites families over generations and honors the eternal bond of respect, honor, and love for family, community, and country. Those celebrating Lunar New Year are our beloved friends and family, our cherished neighbors, and valued members of the Halfmoon Township community.

Now, therefore, we, the Supervisors of Halfmoon Township do proclaim February 1, 2022 as Lunar New Year in Halfmoon Township and wish everyone celebrating the holiday a Happy Lunar New Year. We encourage everyone in Halfmoon Township to join in the spirit of celebration and reaffirm our community's commitment to family, diversity, mutual respect, and creating an inclusive environment of belonging for all our residents.

**Resolved** this 13<sup>rd</sup> day of January, 2022.

**ATTEST:**

  
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**Amy Smith, Secretary**

**FOR THE BOARD:**

  
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**David Piper, Chairperson**

*I, Amy Smith, Secretary for Halfmoon Township, do hereby attest that the foregoing Resolution No. 2022-11 was voted upon and approved by majority vote of the Board of Supervisors on the 13th day of January, 2022.*