

## Proclamation

Celebrating February 10, 2024, as Lunar New Year

WHEREAS, Garden Grove enjoys the privilege of a rich diversity that includes the internationally known Little Saigon; and

WHEREAS, Little Saigon is the home of the largest Vietnamese American population and is fortunate to share in its rich and vibrant culture; and

WHEREAS, Tết or the Vietnamese Lunar New Year is one of the most important celebrations in Vietnamese culture; and

WHEREAS, *Tết Nguyên Đán*, which means "Feast of the First Morning of the First Day" that celebrates the arrival of spring based on the Vietnamese calendar; and

WHEREAS, the year 2024 is identified as the year of the Dragon, which for those born in the year of the Dragon are thought to have a strong desire to realize their dreams and are known as mysterious, imaginative and noble; and

WHEREAS, Tết is an occasion to share traditional foods, enjoy family reunions, and to forget about the troubles of the past year and hope for a healthy, happy and prosperous new year.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED that February 10, 2024, be recognized in Garden Grove as the Vietnamese Lunar New Year and to hope this Lunar New Year brings good health, happiness, and prosperity.

January 23, 2024