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Board of Supervisors Invites You to the Inaugural Asian and Pacific Islander New Year Celebration Honoring the Diverse Cultures and Traditions in Our Communities

(Martinez, CA) – Contra Costa County's Board of Supervisors honors Asian and Pacific Islander cultures and traditions, inviting the community to the free, virtual event for the inaugural **New Year Celebration on Tuesday, February 1, 2022**, early during the 9 am Board of Supervisors meeting as the main presentation.

"We want to recognize one of the most important celebrations for our Asian and Pacific Islander communities and dismiss monolithic stereotypes by featuring the diversity in our Asian communities," said Board Chair, Supervisor Karen Mitchoff. "Contra Costa County will make history on the first day of this year's Lunar New Year, February 1st, with the inaugural event as we honor and celebrate the many different Asian and Pacific Islander cultures and traditions. As an important and integral part of our County family, we celebrate the new year with you, and wish everyone a happy and prosperous new year!"

The Asian and Pacific Islander New Year Celebration will feature guest speakers, Susun Kim, Executive Director of the Contra Costa Family Justice Center, and Professor Kent Wong, Director of the University of California, Los Angeles Labor Center.

The multicultural celebration will feature dance, music, food, and unique customs from some of the many Asian and Pacific Islander communities represented in Contra Costa County, including Nepalese, Filipino, Chinese, Vietnamese, Cambodian, Laotian, Thai, and Indian communities.

The community can watch the event live online at www.contracosta.ca.gov/6086 or www.contracostatv.org. The celebration will also broadcast live on Contra Costa Television (CCTV) channels: Comcast Cable 27, ATT/U-Verse 99, and WAVE 32.

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