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Office of the Governor

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Dear Friends:

As we approach the Chinese New Year, I wanted to take the time to express my gratitude to the Chinese-American community for its positive contributions to Virginia.

The Chinese New Year symbolizes the beginning of the lunar year and the first day of spring. It is the biggest and most important holiday for the Chinese-American community.

Chinese New Year is a celebration of rebirth and renewal. It is about letting go of the past and looking forward to what the future brings. It gives us time to honor ancestors, visit family, look up old friends, and celebrate as a community.

The New Year of the Tiger is upon us. As governor, I am honored to represent the Chinese-American community here in Virginia. I hope the Year of the Tiger will bring good health and fortune to everyone.

Xīn Nián Kuài Lè

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert F. McDonnell". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "R" and "M".

Robert F. McDonnell