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ORDER OF THE BOARD OF ALDERS OF THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN APPROVING THE CLOSURE OF WHITNEY AVENUE FROM GROVE STREET TO TRUMBULL STREET ON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2026, FROM 9:00AM TO 12:00PM FOR THE ANNUAL 2026 LUNAR NEW YEAR CELEBRATION

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WHEREAS, the Yale-China Association has a long-standing tradition of hosting Lunar New Year Celebrations in the city; and

WHEREAS, the festivities have grown in popularity and size over time; and

WHEREAS, 2026 will be the year of the Horse; and

WHEREAS, the Annual Lunar New Year parade hosted by Yale-China and partner organizations, features a traditional lion dance troupe, performance from students of local kung fu academy, and parade marchers from local organizations; and

WHEREAS, the festivities will begin at Whitney Avenue on Grove Street; and

WHEREAS, the setup will begin at approximately 9:00 am; and

WHEREAS, the march will begin at 10 am proceed down Whitney and end prior to Trumbull Street; and

WHEREAS, the event will end at approximately 11:30 am and cleanup will be completed by 12 pm.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED THAT the Board of Alders of the City of New Haven hereby authorizes the closure of Whitney Avenue from Grove Street to Trumbull Street on Saturday, February 21, 2026, from 9:00am to 12:00pm for the annual 2026 Lunar New Year Celebration