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To Whom it May Concern,

I am writing to express my support for closing Whitney Ave from Grove St to Trumbull St on Saturday, February 21st, for the Lunarfest Lunar New Year celebration. This exciting event requires that these blocks of Whitney Ave be closed from 9 am to 12 pm. Some more details about the event are below:

Lunarfest is Connecticut's largest Lunar New Year festival, which celebrates and lifts up Asian cultures in a public space. Lunarfest 2026 will celebrate the Year of the Horse. Our main event will be the lion dance parade down Whitney Avenue showcasing a historic lion dance troupe, local wushu performers, and local students. Additionally, there will be free events for the public at the New Haven Museum, New Haven Free Public Library, and the Peabody Museum.

Thank you for your consideration and please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Eli Sabin
Alder, Ward 7
New Haven Board of Alders

