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On the fifteenth day of the lunar New Year We take a train down to Chinatown To celebrate with a jubilant crowd Parade begins as the sun goes down

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See the Lion dancers in crimson and gold Twist and turn to the cymbal and drum Firecrackers go crackle and bang Bringing luck for the year to come

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They left their home with American dreams Of freedom and opportunity And they brought their ancient traditional themes To share today with you and me

See the children's Lantern Procession float past As dragons flash their vermilion eyes "Ooh's" and "ah's" are crescendoing now As fireworks fill the evening skies

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(Gongs & cymbals clang

Gung hoy fat choy

May you prosper and enjoy)