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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 26-1015

101 **CONCERNING THE FIFTY-EIGHTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CAPTURE OF**
102 **THE U.S.S. PUEBLO BY NORTH KOREA.**

1 WHEREAS, The U.S.S. Pueblo was originally launched as a
2 United States Army cargo ship in 1944 but was transferred to the United
3 States Navy and renamed the U.S.S. Pueblo in 1966; and

4 WHEREAS, The U.S.S. Pueblo was named for the city of Pueblo,
5 Colorado, and the county of Pueblo, Colorado, and was the third ship in
6 the naval fleet to bear the name Pueblo; and

7 WHEREAS, After leaving Japan in early January 1968 on an
8 intelligence mission, the U.S.S. Pueblo was attacked by the North Korean
9 military on January 23, 1968; and

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Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing law.
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1 WHEREAS, According to United States naval authorities and the
2 crew of the U.S.S. Pueblo, the ship was in international waters at the time
3 of the attack; and

4 WHEREAS, Navy Fireman Duane Hodges of the U.S.S. Pueblo
5 was killed during the attack, and 80 crew members and two civilian
6 oceanographers were captured and held for 11 months by the North
7 Korean government; and

8 WHEREAS, This year marks the 58th anniversary of North
9 Korea's attack on the U.S.S. Pueblo and her crew; and

10 WHEREAS, The U.S.S. Pueblo is still in commission in the
11 United States Navy but continues to be held by the North Korean
12 government and is currently in a museum in Pyongyang, North Korea;
13 now, therefore,

14 *Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Seventy-fifth*
15 *General Assembly of the State of Colorado, the Senate concurring herein:*

16 (1) That we, the members of the General Assembly, recognize the
17 bravery and sacrifice of the crew of the U.S.S. Pueblo;

18 (2) That we take pride in the fact that the U.S.S. Pueblo bears the
19 name of a city and a county in Colorado, and, therefore, the citizens of
20 Colorado should be aware of the incident that occurred with the U.S.S.
21 Pueblo 58 years ago;

22 (3) That we continue the call for Kim Jong Un and the North
23 Korean government to return the U.S.S. Pueblo to the people of the
24 United States; and

25 (4) That we designate January 23 of each year as "U.S.S. Pueblo
26 Day", a day to remember and honor the brave crew of the U.S.S. Pueblo.

27 *Be It Further Resolved*, That copies of this Joint Resolution be sent
28 to President Donald J. Trump, Governor Jared Polis, and the members of
29 Colorado's Congressional delegation.