



## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 24-1009

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CONCERNING THE FIFTY-SIXTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CAPTURE OF THE U.S.S. PUEBLO BY NORTH KOREA.

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

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

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

WHEREAS, According to United States naval authorities and the crew of the U.S.S. Pueblo, the ship was in international waters at the time of the attack; and

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

WHEREAS, This year marks the fifty-sixth anniversary of North Korea's attack on the U.S.S. Pueblo and her crew; and

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

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

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

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

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

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

*Be It Further Resolved*, That copies of this Joint Resolution be sent to President Joseph R. Biden, Jr.; Governor Jared Polis; and the members of Colorado's Congressional delegation.

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