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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 16-1004

101 **CONCERNING THE U.S.S. PUEBLO.**

1 2 3	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
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
10	WHEREAS, According to United States Naval authorities and the
11	crew of the U.S.S. Pueblo, the ship was in international waters at the time

1 of the attack; and

WHEREAS, One crew member 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

6 WHEREAS, This year marks the forty-eighth anniversary of North
7 Korea's attack on the U.S.S. Pueblo and her crew; and

8 WHEREAS, The U.S.S. Pueblo is still in commission in the 9 United States Navy but continues to be held by the North Korean 10 government and is currently a museum in Pyongyang, North Korea; now, 11 therefore,

- 12 Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Seventieth 13 General Assembly of the State of Colorado, the Senate concurring herein:
- 14 (1) That we, the members of the General Assembly, recognize the
 15 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 forty-eight years ago;
- 20 (3) That we continue the call for Kim Jong Un and the North
 21 Korean government to return the U.S.S. Pueblo to the people of the
 22 United States; and
- (4) That we hereby designate January 23 each year as "U.S.S.
 Pueblo Day" as 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 Barack Obama, Governor John W. Hickenlooper, President
 Pro Tempore of the United States Senate Orrin Hatch, Speaker of the
 United States House of Representatives Paul D. Ryan, and the members
 of Colorado's Congressional delegation.