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**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 23-1014**

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

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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

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  
12 of the attack; and

13          WHEREAS, One crew member of the U.S.S. Pueblo was killed  
14 during the attack, and eighty crew members and two civilian

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1 oceanographers were captured and held for eleven months by the North  
2 Korean government; and

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

24 *Be It Further Resolved,* That copies of this Joint Resolution be sent  
25 to President Joseph R. Biden, Jr.; Governor Jared Polis; President Pro  
26 Tempore of the United States Senate Patty Murray; Speaker of the United  
27 States House of Representatives Kevin McCarthy; and the members of  
28 Colorado's Congressional delegation.