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**SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 21-013**

101      **CONCERNING THE FIFTY-THIRD 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

*Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
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SENATE  
Final Reading  
April 5, 2021

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, One crew member of the U.S.S. Pueblo was killed  
5 during the attack, and eighty crew members and two civilian  
6 oceanographers were captured and held for eleven months by the North  
7 Korean government; and

8           WHEREAS, This year marks the fifty-third 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 a museum in Pyongyang, North Korea; now,  
13 therefore,

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

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

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

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

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

29           *Be It Further Resolved,* That copies of this Joint Resolution be sent  
30 to President Joseph R. Biden, Jr.; Governor Jared Polis; President Pro  
31 Tempore of the United States Senate Patrick Leahy; Speaker of the  
32 United States House of Representatives Nancy Pelosi; and the members  
33 of Colorado's Congressional delegation.