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American servicemen; and

2003 ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 22

June 24, 2003 - Introduced by Representatives Schneider and Boyle. Referred to Committee on Government Operations and Spending Limitations.

Relating to: urging all state legislative houses to call upon the U.S. Congress to 1 2 investigate the attack on the U.S.S. Liberty. 3 Whereas, on June 8, 1967, the U.S.S. Liberty, while operating in international waters in the eastern Mediterranean, was the target of an attack by Israel's war 4 planes and torpedo boats; and 5 6 Whereas, this attack killed 34 members of the U.S.S. Liberty's crew and wounded 171 other United States personnel on board, in addition to causing 7 8 extensive damage to the ship; and 9 Whereas, there continues to be controversy surrounding the attack with sailors 10 who believe the attack was deliberate and by others who believe the attack was a 11 mistake by the Israeli military; and 12 Whereas, aircraft dispatched from aircraft carriers to aid the U.S.S. Liberty were recalled, in violation of U.S. military law, resulting in 25 of the 34 deaths of 13

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1	Whereas, the sailors and their families should have closure of this tragic attack
2	and its aftermath; and
3	Whereas, the U.S.S. Liberty's disaster is the only naval disaster that has never
4	been fully investigated by Congress; now, therefore, be it
5	Resolved by the assembly, That the Wisconsin assembly urges all state
6	legislative houses to call upon Congress to immediately investigate the attack on the
7	U.S.S. Liberty that was perpetrated by the armed forces of the state of Israel on June
8	8, 1967, in order to determine the truth behind the attack; and, be it further
9	Resolved, That the Wisconsin assembly urges all state legislative houses to
10	urge Congress to determine why aircraft dispatched to aid the U.S.S. Liberty were
11	recalled in direct violation of U.S. military law and custom; and, be it further
12	Resolved, That the assembly chief clerk shall provide a copy of this resolution
13	to the presiding officer of each of the state legislative houses.

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