2005 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 44

June 17, 2005 – Introduced by Representative Schneider. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1	Relating to: calling upon the U.S. Congress to investigate the attack on the U.S.S.
2	Liberty.
3	Whereas, on June 8, 1967, the U.S.S. Liberty, while operating in international
4	waters in the eastern Mediterranean, was the target of an attack by Israel's war
5	planes and torpedo boats; and
6	Whereas, this attack killed 34 members of the U.S.S. Liberty's crew and
7	wounded 171 other United States personnel on board, in addition to causing
8	extensive damage to the ship; and
9	Whereas, there continues to be controversy surrounding the attack such that
10	some sailors believe the attack was deliberate and others 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 United States military law, resulting in 25 of the 34

deaths of American servicemen; and

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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, the senate concurring, That the Wisconsin
6	legislature calls upon Congress to immediately investigate the attack on the U.S.S.
7	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 legislature urges Congress to determine why
10	aircraft dispatched to aid the U.S.S. Liberty were recalled in direct violation of U.S.
11	military law and custom; and, be it further
12	Resolved, That the assembly chief clerk shall provide a copy of this joint
13	resolution to each member of this state's congressional delegation.
14	(END)