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THIRD READING

Bill No: ACR 90

Author: Mathis (R), et al. Amended: 6/17/21 in Senate

Vote: 21

ASSEMBLY FLOOR: 73-0, 6/10/21 (Consent) - See last page for vote

SUBJECT: USS Liberty Remembrance Day

SOURCE: Author

DIGEST: This resolution proclaims June 8, 2021, as USS Liberty Remembrance Day.

ANALYSIS: This resolution makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) The USS Liberty was a United States Navy technical research ship, known colloquially as a "spy ship," that was attacked by Israeli Air Force jet fighter aircraft and Israeli Navy motor torpedo boats on June 8, 1967, in international waters north of the Sinai Peninsula during the Six-Day War.
- 2) Despite the United States' declaration of neutrality during the Six-Day War, the USS Liberty was subject to the attack as a result of Israeli armed forces' error in designating the ship as an enemy vessel.
- 3) In the days preceding the start of the Six-Day War, the USS Liberty was ordered to travel east across the Mediterranean Sea to perform a signals intelligence collection mission in international waters off the coast of Sinai, Egypt.
- 4) As the war unfolded, several instances of miscommunication, confusion, and misidentification among American and Israeli forces culminated in the mistaken attack on the USS Liberty.

5) Although significant controversy and disputes continue to obscure the motives of the attack on the USS Liberty, the heroism and bravery of all those aboard the ship must not be forgotten.

This resolution proclaims June 8, 2021, as USS Liberty Remembrance Day.

FISCAL EFFECT: Appropriation: No Fiscal Com.: No Local: No

SUPPORT: (Verified 6/21/21)

None received

OPPOSITION: (Verified 6/21/21)

None received

ASSEMBLY FLOOR: 73-0, 6/10/21

AYES: Aguiar-Curry, Arambula, Bauer-Kahan, Bennett, Berman, Bigelow, Bloom, Boerner Horvath, Bryan, Burke, Calderon, Carrillo, Cervantes, Chau, Chiu, Choi, Cooley, Cooper, Cunningham, Megan Dahle, Daly, Fong, Frazier, Friedman, Gabriel, Gallagher, Cristina Garcia, Eduardo Garcia, Gipson, Lorena Gonzalez, Gray, Grayson, Holden, Irwin, Jones-Sawyer, Kalra, Kiley, Lackey, Levine, Low, Maienschein, Mathis, Mayes, McCarty, Medina, Mullin, Muratsuchi, Nazarian, Nguyen, O'Donnell, Patterson, Petrie-Norris, Quirk, Reyes, Luz Rivas, Robert Rivas, Rodriguez, Blanca Rubio, Salas, Santiago, Seyarto, Smith, Stone, Ting, Valladares, Villapudua, Voepel, Waldron, Ward, Akilah Weber, Wicks, Wood, Rendon

NO VOTE RECORDED: Chen, Davies, Flora, Lee, Quirk-Silva, Ramos

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