

THE AMERICAN LEGION, DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION: 12-W-4
SUBMITTED BY: 9th District
SUBJECT: Investigate the Israeli Attack on the USS Liberty

RESOLUTION

- WHEREAS, On June 8, 1967, the USS Liberty, while operating in international waters in the eastern Mediterranean, was the target of an attack by Israeli war planes and torpedo boats; and
- WHEREAS, This attack killed 34 members of the USS Liberty's crew and wounded 171 other United States personnel on board, in addition to causing extensive damage to the ship; and
- WHEREAS, A controversy continues to surround the attack on the USS Liberty in that the American and Israeli governments say that the attack was an accident; and
- WHEREAS, The investigative JAG officer Captain Ward Boston has signed an affidavit stating that the investigation was a sham; and that Admiral Isaac Kidd threatened the crew with jail if they spoke about the attack, and subsequent investigations by the military cannot be relied upon; and
- WHEREAS, Dozens of eyewitnesses have come forward stating that the attack was premeditated murder, including intelligence intercept officers; and
- WHEREAS, That there is no greater sacrifice one can make than to give his or her life for their country; and
- WHEREAS, The Sailors and Marines and their families should have closure of this tragic attack and its aftermath; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED,

By The American Legion of the United States that we call upon Congress to immediately investigate the attack on the USS Liberty that was perpetrated by the armed forces of the State of Israel on June 8, 1967, in order to determine the truth behind the attack, and the cover up, and bring closure to the families and crew; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED,

By The American Legion, Department of Michigan, in annual Winter Meeting assembled in Flint, Michigan, February 18-19, 2012, That The American Legion, Department of Michigan, supports the efforts of the USS Liberty Veterans Association calling for an investigation to unmask the truth.