

*Naming of U.S. Submarine to Honor
the World War II Service of the
Citizens of Manitowoc, Wisconsin*

Whereas, twenty-eight submarines were built for the U.S Navy for service in the Pacific theater during World War II by the Manitowoc Shipbuilding Company in Manitowoc, Wisconsin;

Whereas, Manitowoc is the home of the only freshwater submarine construction company in the history of the nation;

Whereas, twenty-five of the twenty-eight submarines built in Manitowoc saw action in World War II and at wars' end were credited with sinking 132 enemy ships with a total tonnage of 488,918;

Whereas, four Manitowoc Submarines were sunk by the enemy, U.S.S. Robalo, U.S.S. Golet, U.S.S. Kete, and U.S.S. Lagarto, taking the lives of 337 brave officers and men of the United States;

Whereas, the last of the three new Seawolf class nuclear submarines, currently under construction at the General Dynamics Corp. Electric Board Division hull plant in Rhode Island, is yet to be named; and

Whereas, in 1998 the State of Wisconsin will be proudly celebrating its 150th anniversary of statehood with events across the state and the nation;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Iowa County Board of Supervisors memorializes the President of the United States, the Members of the United States' Congress, and the Secretary of the United States' Navy, to honor the proud maritime heritage of the families of Manitowoc, the workers of Manitowoc Shipbuilding Company and the State of Wisconsin as it celebrates its sesquicentennial by christening the last of the three new Seawolf class nuclear submarines the "U.S.S. Manitowoc";

Be it further resolved, that the action of this Board be forwarded to the President of the United States, the Honorable Secretary of the Navy John Dalton, the members of Wisconsin's congressional delegation, the Governor of the State of Wisconsin, the Wisconsin State Legislature, and the Wisconsin Counties Association.

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