

113TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# S. RES. 155

Recognizing the City of Erie, Pennsylvania, for its critical role in the development and construction of the fleet of Commodore Oliver Hazard Perry during the War of 1812.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 23, 2013

Mr. CASEY submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the  
Committee on the Judiciary

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## RESOLUTION

Recognizing the City of Erie, Pennsylvania, for its critical role in the development and construction of the fleet of Commodore Oliver Hazard Perry during the War of 1812.

Whereas the City of Erie, Pennsylvania, due to its abundant resources and strategic positioning, was recommended by shipbuilder Daniel Dobbins to the United States Department of the Navy as an ideal location for the construction of a naval fleet;

Whereas the victory by the United States over Great Britain in the Battle of Lake Erie on September 10, 1813, was a crucial victory for the United States during the War of 1812, and ensured that the United States maintained control over Lake Erie for the duration of the war;

Whereas the success of the fleet of Commodore Oliver Hazard Perry in the Battle of Lake Erie helped to facilitate the important victory of General William Henry Harrison at the Battle of the Thames, as well as other military actions of the United States throughout the War of 1812;

Whereas the USS Lawrence and the USS Niagara, 2 flagships of the fleet of Commodore Perry, were returned to Presque Isle Bay, off the coast of the City of Erie, after completion of their service;

Whereas the City of Erie is home to the USS Niagara, which continues to sail in memory of the heroism of the United States forces in the Battle of Lake Erie;

Whereas the City of Erie honors the legacy of Commodore Perry through the Perry Monument at Presque Isle State Park; and

Whereas the City of Erie this year is recognizing the 200th anniversary of the Battle of Lake Erie: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2               (1) honors the City of Erie, Pennsylvania, for  
3       its role in the development and construction of the  
4       fleet of Commodore Oliver Hazard Perry during the  
5       War of 1812; and

6               (2) recognizes the historical significance of the  
7       construction of the fleet of Commodore Perry and  
8       the consequent victory of the United States in the  
9       Battle of Lake Erie.

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