

United States Senate

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Fellow Hoosiers,

Hoosiers have a proud history of serving in our nation's Navy and the *USS Indianapolis* (LCS 17) will be an important part of continuing that tradition.

This will be the fourth in a long line of ships named after Indianapolis: the (ID 3865), (CA 35), and (SSN 697). These ships and their crews bravely and steadfastly served during WWI, WWII, and the Cold War. This newest ship to bear the name will undoubtedly play an important role in defending our nation and its interests for many years to come.

The *USS Indianapolis* will be a great addition to the Navy fleet, assisting in missions worldwide and providing for our national security.

I am honored to support the work of the Commissioning Committee, and wish the crew all the best as they are serving our nation out on the seas.

In Service,



Mike Braun
United States Senator