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My Fellow Hoosiers,

Hoosiers have a long and proud tradition of military service, and the *USS Indiana* (SSN 789) Virginia class submarine will help continue that tradition.

The first and second ships commissioned with the name Indiana – the (BB 1) and (BB 58) – were battleships that courageously defended the United States during the Spanish-American War and World War II. I have no doubt that the newest *USS Indiana* will also play an important role in defending our nation and its interests.

The *USS Indiana* will help the Navy continue to project American power, defend shipping lanes, deter war, and defeat enemies.

I am honored to support the work of the Commissioning Committee, and I wish the crew of the *USS Indiana* fair winds and following seas.

In Service,

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Todd Young
U. S. Senator