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USS New Jersey Delayed in Returning Home; Celebration On Hold

A mechanical failure has delayed the homecoming of the USS New Jersey and the planned celebration with Governor Whitman is being placed on hold.

"The USS New Jersey's arrival is a momentous occasion and I am sure there are many New Jerseyans who will want to catch a glimpse of the great ship," said Governor Whitman. "While the delay is unfortunate, we are looking forward to the day the USS New Jersey arrives in our waters and will keep people updated on the schedule for its arrival."

The USS New Jersey was set to arrive on Sunday, November 7 but due to an unexpected mechanical failure, the ship will arrive later than expected. Bad weather is also being blamed for the delay. Details for the welcoming celebration are expected to be announced early next week when a more definitive date is available and plans have been finalized.

