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To authorize the President to award a gold medal on behalf of the Congress to Richard “Red” Skelton, and to provide for the production of bronze duplicates of such medal for sale to the public.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 26 (legislative day, JANUARY 5), 1993

Mr. REID introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. FINDINGS.**

4 The Congress finds that—

5 (1) Richard “Red” Skelton has provided gen-
6 erations with the gift of laughter, driven by his pas-
7 sion to instill happiness in the hearts of others;

1 (2) Red Skelton, a true patriot, supported the
2 United States Armed Forces during World War II
3 by selling a record number of United States war
4 bonds, serving as a private in the United States
5 Army, and working arduously to lift the morale of
6 his fellow soldiers; and

7 (3) Red Skelton, who worked his way from pov-
8 erty to success, has shared his talent and his wealth
9 with numerous charities, in an effort to help those
10 less fortunate than himself.

11 **SEC. 2. CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL.**

12 (a) PRESENTATION AUTHORIZED.—The President is
13 authorized to present, on behalf of the Congress, to Red
14 Skelton a gold medal of appropriate design in recognition
15 of his exemplary performance as an entertainer and a hu-
16 manitarian.

17 (b) DESIGN AND STRIKING.—For purposes of the
18 presentation referred to in subsection (a), the Secretary
19 of the Treasury (hereafter referred to in this Act as the
20 “Secretary”) shall strike a gold medal with suitable em-
21 blems, devices, and inscriptions to be determined by the
22 Secretary.

23 **SEC. 3. DUPLICATE MEDALS.**

24 The Secretary may strike bronze duplicates of the
25 gold medal struck pursuant to section 2, under such regu-

1 lations as the Secretary may prescribe, and may sell such
2 bronze duplicates at a price sufficient to cover the cost
3 thereof, including labor, materials, dies, use of machinery,
4 and overhead expenses, and the cost of the gold medal.

5 **SEC. 4. NATIONAL MEDALS.**

6 Medals struck pursuant to this Act are national med-
7 als for purposes of chapter 51 of title 31, United States
8 Code.

9 **SEC. 5. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS; PROCEEDS**
10 **OF SALE.**

11 (a) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is
12 authorized to be appropriated not to exceed \$30,000 to
13 carry out section 2.

14 (b) PROCEEDS OF SALES.—Amounts received from
15 sales of duplicate bronze medals under section 3 shall be
16 credited to the appropriation made pursuant to the au-
17 thorization provided in subsection (a).

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