106TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION H.R.4926

To provide for the award of a gold medal on behalf of the Congress to Tiger Woods, in recognition of his service to the Nation in promoting excellence and good sportsmanship, and in breaking barriers with grace and dignity by showing that golf is a sport for all people.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 24, 2000

Mr. BACA introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services

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 the following:
- 5 (1) Although Tiger Woods is only 24 years old
 6 and in his 4th full year as a professional golfer, he
 7 has 4 major championship titles among his victories.

| 1 | Tiger Woods is the fifth player in history to win all |
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| 2 | four major championships (Masters, U.S. Open, |
| 3 | British Open, and PGA Championship), joining the |
| 4 | ranks of Gene Sarazen, Ben Hogan, Gary Player |
| 5 | and Jack Nicklaus. |
| 6 | (2) Tiger Woods can be compared with Jack |
| 7 | Nicklaus, as being one of the greatest golfers of all |
| 8 | time. |
| 9 | (3) Tiger Woods has changed the standard by |
| 10 | which we judge excellence in golf. |
| 11 | (4) Tiger Woods has broken barriers with grace |
| 12 | and dignity by showing that golf is a sport for all |
| 13 | people, regardless of race, color, or creed. |
| 14 | (5) Tiger Woods has inspired countless people |
| 15 | of all ages, impressing upon them that their hopes, |
| 16 | dreams, and prayers may be achieved through hard |
| 17 | work, persistence, education, and good sportsman- |
| 18 | ship. |
| 19 | (6) Tiger Woods established the Tiger Woods |
| 20 | Foundation in 1996, which financially supports com- |
| 21 | munities and organizations that nurture family val- |
| 22 | ues and adults' involvement in children's lives. |
| 23 | (7) The Tiger Woods Foundation Clinics give |
| 24 | thousands of youngsters golf lessons and also draw |

attention and support to the organizations that allow
 inner-city children access to golf.

3 SEC. 2. CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL.

4 (a) PRESENTATION AUTHORIZED.—The Speaker of 5 the House of Representatives and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall make appropriate arrangements 6 7 for the presentation, on behalf of the Congress, of a gold 8 medal of appropriate design to Tiger Woods in recognition 9 of his service to the Nation in promoting excellence and 10 good sportsmanship, and in breaking barriers with grace and dignity by showing that golf is a sport for all people. 11

(b) DESIGN AND STRIKING.—For the purpose of the
presentation referred to in subsection (a), the Secretary
of the Treasury (in this Act referred to as the "Secretary") shall strike a gold medal with suitable emblems,
devices, and inscriptions to be determined by the Secretary.

18 SEC. 3. DUPLICATE MEDALS.

19 Under such regulations as the Secretary may pre-20 scribe, the Secretary may strike duplicate medals in 21 bronze of the gold medal struck pursuant to section 2 and 22 sell such duplicate medals at a price sufficient to cover 23 the costs of the duplicate medals (including labor, mate-24 rials, dies, use of machinery, overhead expenses) and the 25 cost of the gold medal.

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1 SEC. 4. NATIONAL MEDALS.

2 The medals struck under this Act are national medals
3 for purposes of chapter 51 of title 31, United States Code.
4 SEC. 5. AUTHORIZATION OF CHARGES AGAINST FUND; PRO5 CEEDS OF SALE.

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6 (a) AUTHORIZATION OF CHARGES.—There is author7 ized to be charged against the United States Mint Public
8 Enterprise Fund an amount not to exceed \$30,000 to pay
9 for the cost of the medals authorized by this Act.

(b) PROCEEDS OF SALE.—Amounts received from the
sale of duplicate bronze medals under section 3 shall be
deposited in the United States Mint Public Enterprise
Fund.

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