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To provide for the award of a gold medal on behalf of the Congress to former President Ronald Reagan and his wife Nancy Reagan in recognition of their service to the Nation.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 25, 2000

Mr. COVERDELL (for himself, Mr. LOTT, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. THURMOND, Mr. Stevens, Mr. HELMS, Mr. WARNER, Mr. MURKOWSKI, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. HATCH, Mr. LUGAR, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. ASHCROFT, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. BURNS, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. KYL, Mr. GRAMS, Mr. MACK, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. FITZGERALD, Mr. ABRAHAM, Mr. ENZI, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. SANTORUM, Mr. GORTON, and Mrs. HUTCHISON) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

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## 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:

1           (1) Both former President Ronald Reagan and  
2           his wife Nancy Reagan have distinguished records of  
3           public service to the United States, the American  
4           people, and the international community.

5           (2) As President, Ronald Reagan restored “the  
6           great, confident roar of American progress, growth,  
7           and optimism”, a pledge which he made before being  
8           elected to office.

9           (3) President Ronald Reagan’s leadership was  
10          instrumental in uniting a divided world by bringing  
11          about an end to the cold war.

12          (4) The United States enjoyed sustained eco-  
13          nomic prosperity and employment growth during  
14          Ronald Reagan’s presidency.

15          (5) President Ronald Reagan’s wife Nancy not  
16          only served as a gracious First Lady but also as a  
17          proponent for preventing alcohol and drug use  
18          among the Nation’s youth by championing the “Just  
19          Say No” campaign.

20          (6) Together, Ronald and Nancy Reagan dedi-  
21          cated their lives to promoting national pride and to  
22          bettering the quality of life in the United States and  
23          throughout the world.

1 **SEC. 2. CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL.**

2 (a) PRESENTATION AUTHORIZED.—The Speaker of  
3 the House of Representatives and the President Pro Tem-  
4 pore of the Senate shall make appropriate arrangements  
5 for the presentation, on behalf of the Congress, of a gold  
6 medal of appropriate design to former President Ronald  
7 Reagan and his wife Nancy Reagan in recognition of their  
8 service to the Nation.

9 (b) DESIGN AND STRIKING.—For the purpose of the  
10 presentation referred to in subsection (a), the Secretary  
11 of the Treasury (in this Act referred to as the “Sec-  
12 retary”) shall strike a gold medal with suitable emblems,  
13 devices, and inscriptions, to be determined by the Sec-  
14 retary.

15 **SEC. 3. DUPLICATE MEDALS.**

16 Under such regulations as the Secretary may pre-  
17 scribe, the Secretary may strike and sell duplicates in  
18 bronze of the gold medal struck pursuant to section 2 at  
19 a price sufficient to cover the costs of the medals (includ-  
20 ing labor, materials, dies, use of machinery, and overhead  
21 expenses) and the cost of the gold medal.

22 **SEC. 4. NATIONAL MEDALS.**

23 The medals struck under this Act are national medals  
24 for purposes of chapter 51 of title 31, United States Code.

1 **SEC. 5. FUNDING AND PROCEEDS OF SALE.**

2 (a) AUTHORIZATION.—There is hereby authorized to  
3 be charged against the United States Mint Public Enter-  
4 prise Fund an amount not to exceed \$30,000 to pay for  
5 the cost of the medals authorized by this Act.

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

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