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Urban Affairs

AN ACT

To require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins
in commemoration of the National Purple Heart Hall
of Honor.

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

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “National Purple Heart
3 Hall of Honor Commemorative Coin Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

5 The Congress finds the following:

6 (1) The National Purple Heart Hall of Honor’s
7 mission is—

8 (A) to commemorate the extraordinary sac-
9 rifice of America’s servicemen and service-
10 women who were killed or wounded by enemy
11 action; and

12 (B) to collect and preserve the stories of
13 Purple Heart recipients from all branches of
14 service and across generations to ensure that all
15 recipients are represented.

16 (2) The National Purple Heart Hall of Honor
17 first opened its doors on November 10, 2006, in
18 New Windsor, NY.

19 (3) The National Purple Heart Hall of Honor
20 is co-located with the New Windsor Cantonment
21 State Historic Site.

22 (4) The National Purple Heart Hall of Honor
23 is the first to recognize the estimated 1.8 million
24 United States servicemembers wounded or killed in
25 action representing recipients from the Civil War to
26 the present day, serving as a living memorial to their

1 sacrifice by sharing their stories through interviews,
2 exhibits and the Roll of Honor, an interactive com-
3 puter database of each recipient enrolled.

4 **SEC. 3. COIN SPECIFICATIONS.**

5 (a) DENOMINATIONS.—The Secretary of the Treas-
6 ury (hereafter in this Act referred to as the “Secretary”)
7 shall mint and issue the following coins:

8 (1) \$5 GOLD COINS.—Not more than 50,000 \$5
9 coins, which shall—

10 (A) weigh 8.359 grams;

11 (B) have a diameter of 0.850 inches; and

12 (C) contain 90 percent gold and 10 percent
13 alloy.

14 (2) \$1 SILVER COINS.—Not more than 400,000
15 \$1 coins, which shall—

16 (A) weigh 26.73 grams;

17 (B) have a diameter of 1.500 inches; and

18 (C) contain not less than 90 percent silver.

19 (3) HALF-DOLLAR CLAD COINS.—Not more
20 than 750,000 half-dollar coins which shall—

21 (A) weigh 11.34 grams;

22 (B) have a diameter of 1.205 inches; and

23 (C) be minted to the specifications for half-
24 dollar coins contained in section 5112(b) of title
25 31, United States Code.

1 (b) LEGAL TENDER.—The coins minted under this
2 Act shall be legal tender, as provided in section 5103 of
3 title 31, United States Code.

4 (c) NUMISMATIC ITEMS.—For purposes of section
5 5134 of title 31, United States Code, all coins minted
6 under this Act shall be considered to be numismatic items.

7 **SEC. 4. DESIGN OF COINS.**

8 (a) DESIGN REQUIREMENTS.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—The design of the coins
10 minted under this Act shall be emblematic of the
11 National Purple Heart Hall of Honor.

12 (2) DESIGNATION AND INSCRIPTIONS.—On
13 each coin minted under this Act there shall be—

14 (A) a designation of the value of the coin;

15 (B) an inscription of the year “2021”; and

16 (C) inscriptions of the words “Liberty”,
17 “In God We Trust”, “United States of Amer-
18 ica”, and “E Pluribus Unum”.

19 (b) SELECTION.—The design for the coins minted
20 under this Act shall be—

21 (1) selected by the Secretary after consultation
22 with the Commission of Fine Arts and the National
23 Purple Heart Hall of Honor, Inc.; and

24 (2) reviewed by the Citizens Coinage Advisory
25 Committee.

1 **SEC. 5. ISSUANCE OF COINS.**

2 (a) **QUALITY OF COINS.**—Coins minted under this
3 Act shall be issued in uncirculated and proof qualities.

4 (b) **MINT FACILITY.**—Only the West Point Mint may
5 be used to strike any particular quality of the coins minted
6 under this Act.

7 (c) **PERIOD FOR ISSUANCE.**—The Secretary may
8 issue coins minted under this Act only during the 1-year
9 period beginning on January 1, 2021.

10 **SEC. 6. SALE OF COINS.**

11 (a) **SALE PRICE.**—The coins issued under this Act
12 shall be sold by the Secretary at a price equal to the sum
13 of—

14 (1) the face value of the coins;

15 (2) the surcharge provided in section 7(a) with
16 respect to such coins; and

17 (3) the cost of designing and issuing the coins
18 (including labor, materials, dies, use of machinery,
19 overhead expenses, marketing, and shipping).

20 (b) **BULK SALES.**—The Secretary shall make bulk
21 sales of the coins issued under this Act at a reasonable
22 discount.

23 (c) **PREPAID ORDERS.**—

24 (1) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary shall accept
25 prepaid orders for the coins minted under this Act
26 before the issuance of such coins.

1 (2) DISCOUNT.—Sale prices with respect to pre-
2 paid orders under paragraph (1) shall be at a rea-
3 sonable discount.

4 **SEC. 7. SURCHARGES.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—All sales of coins issued under this
6 Act shall include a surcharge of—

- 7 (1) \$35 per coin for the \$5 coin;
8 (2) \$10 per coin for the \$1 coin; and
9 (3) \$5 per coin for the half-dollar coin.

10 (b) DISTRIBUTION.—Subject to section 5134(f)(1) of
11 title 31, United States Code, all surcharges received by
12 the Secretary from the sale of coins issued under this Act
13 shall be promptly paid by the Secretary to the National
14 Purple Heart Hall of Honor, Inc., to support the mission
15 of the National Purple Heart Hall of Honor, Inc., includ-
16 ing capital improvements to the National Purple Heart
17 Hall of Honor facilities.

18 (c) AUDITS.—The National Purple Heart Hall of
19 Honor, Inc., shall be subject to the audit requirements of
20 section 5134(f)(2) of title 31, United States Code, with
21 regard to the amounts received under subsection (b).

22 (d) LIMITATION.—Notwithstanding subsection (a),
23 no surcharge may be included with respect to the issuance
24 under this Act of any coin during a calendar year if, as
25 of the time of such issuance, the issuance of such coin

9 The budgetary effects of this Act, for the purpose of
10 complying with the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010,
11 shall be determined by reference to the latest statement
12 titled “Budgetary Effects of PAYGO Legislation” for this
13 Act, submitted for printing in the Congressional Record
14 by the Chairman of the House Budget Committee, pro-
15 vided that such statement has been submitted prior to the
16 vote on passage.

Attest: CHERYL L. JOHNSON,
Clerk.