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To authorize the minting of coins to commemorate the 175th anniversary
of the founding of the United States Botanic Garden.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. JOHNSTON (for himself, Mr. MOYNIHAN, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. PELL, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. THURMOND, Mr. WARNER, Mr. GORTON, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. HOLLINGS, Mr. DECONCINI, Mr. BOND, Mr. CONRAD, and Mr. REID) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

A BILL

To authorize the minting of coins to commemorate the 175th
anniversary of the founding of the United States Botanic
Garden.

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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “United States Botanic
5 Garden Commemorative Coin Act of 1995”.

6 **SEC. 2. COIN SPECIFICATIONS.**

7 (a) ONE-DOLLAR SILVER COINS.—

1 (1) ISSUANCE.—The Secretary of the Treasury
2 (hereafter in this Act referred to as the “Secretary”)
3 shall issue not more than 500,000 \$1 coins, which
4 shall weigh 26.73 grams, have a diameter of 1.500
5 inches, and contain 90 percent silver and 10 percent
6 copper.

7 (2) DESIGN.—The design of the coins issued
8 under this Act shall be a rose, the national floral
9 emblem, and a frontal view of the French facade of
10 the United States Botanic Garden. On each coin
11 there shall be a designation of the value of the coin,
12 an inscription of the year “1995”, and inscriptions
13 of the words “Liberty”, “In God We Trust”,
14 “United States of America”, and “E Pluribus
15 Unum”.

16 (b) LEGAL TENDER.—The coins issued under this
17 Act shall be legal tender, as provided in section 5103 of
18 title 31, United States Code.

19 **SEC. 3. SOURCES OF BULLION.**

20 The Secretary shall obtain silver for the coins minted
21 under this Act only from stockpiles established under the
22 Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act.

23 **SEC. 4. SELECTION OF DESIGN.**

24 The design for the coins authorized by this Act shall
25 be selected by the Secretary after consultation with the

1 National Fund for the United States Botanic Garden and
2 the Commission of Fine Arts. As required by section 5135
3 of title 31, United States Code, the design shall also be
4 reviewed by the Citizens Commemorative Coin Advisory
5 Committee.

6 **SEC. 5. ISSUANCE OF COINS.**

7 (a) QUALITY OF COINS.—Coins minted under this
8 Act may be issued in uncirculated and proof qualities.

9 (b) MINT FACILITY.—Not more than 1 facility of the
10 United States Mint may be used to strike any particular
11 quality of the coins minted under this Act.

12 (c) PERIOD OF ISSUANCE.—The Secretary may issue
13 coins minted under this Act during the period beginning
14 on January 1, 1995, and ending on December 31, 1995.

15 **SEC. 6. SALE OF COINS.**

16 (a) SALE PRICE.—The coins authorized under this
17 Act shall be sold by the Secretary at a price equal to the
18 sum of the face value of the coins, the surcharge provided
19 in subsection (d) with respect to such coins, and the cost
20 of designing and issuing the coins (including labor, mate-
21 rials, dies, use of machinery, overhead expenses, market-
22 ing, and shipping).

23 (b) BULK SALES.—The Secretary shall make bulk
24 sales available at a reasonable discount.

1 (c) PREPAID ORDERS.—The Secretary shall accept
2 prepaid orders for the coins authorized under this Act
3 prior to the issuance of such coins. Sales under this sub-
4 section shall be at a reasonable discount.

5 (d) SURCHARGE REQUIRED.—All sales shall include
6 a surcharge of \$10 per coin.

7 **SEC. 7. GENERAL WAIVER OF PROCUREMENT REGULA-**
8 **TIONS.**

9 No provision of law governing procurement or public
10 contracts shall be applicable to the procurement of goods
11 or services necessary for carrying out the provisions of this
12 Act. Nothing in this section shall relieve any person enter-
13 ing into a contract under the authority of this Act from
14 complying with any law relating to equal employment
15 opportunity.

16 **SEC. 8. DISTRIBUTION OF SURCHARGES.**

17 All surcharges received by the Secretary from the sale
18 of coins issued under this Act shall be promptly paid by
19 the Secretary to the National Fund for the United States
20 Botanic Garden.

21 **SEC. 9. AUDITS.**

22 The Comptroller General shall have the right to ex-
23 amine such books, records, documents, and other data of
24 the National Fund for the United States Botanic Garden

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1 as may be related to the expenditures of amounts paid
2 under section 8.

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