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To present a gold medal to Len “Roy Rogers” Slye and Octavia “Dale Evans” Smith.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. LEWIS of California 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. CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL.**

4 (a) PRESENTATION AUTHORIZED.—The President is
5 authorized to present, on behalf of the Congress, a gold
6 medal of appropriate design to Len “Roy Rogers” Slye
7 and Octavia “Dale Evans” Smith in recognition of their
8 accomplishments as entertainers and humanitarians,
9 which include—

1 (1) careers in the entertainment industry that
2 spanned 6 decades and covered such industries as
3 music, film, television, writing, sports, and radio;

4 (2) acting in and producing more than 100
5 films, as well as their popular 10-year television
6 show “The Roy Rogers Show”, which is still seen in
7 American and foreign markets;

8 (3) setting appearance records in virtually every
9 major arena in the world, including Madison Square
10 Garden in New York City, the Houston Fat Stock
11 Show, the Los Angeles Coliseum, the Chicago Sta-
12 dium, the Harringay Arena in London, Toronto’s
13 Canadian National Exhibition, and many State fairs
14 and rodeos (Len Slye once sold out Madison Square
15 Garden 29 straight nights, holds the record for the
16 largest crowd to ever see an indoor rodeo, and twice
17 attracted more than 100,000 people to rodeos in the
18 Los Angeles Coliseum);

19 (4) selfless service as role models through their
20 strong faith in Christianity as well as their devotion
21 to their 9 children (5 by adoption and 4 by birth),
22 16 grandchildren, and 30 great-grandchildren;

23 (5) Octavia Smith’s classic book Angel Un-
24 aware, which dealt with the death from complica-
25 tions associated with Down’s syndrome of Robin, the

1 one child Len Slye and Octavia Smith had together;
2 and

3 (6) creating the Roy Rogers-Dale Evans Mu-
4 seum in Victorville, California, that vividly chronicles
5 their lives and the values and ethics that represent
6 the basis of their worldwide appeal.

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

13 **SEC. 2. DUPLICATE MEDALS.**

14 The Secretary may strike and sell duplicates in
15 bronze of the gold medal struck pursuant to section 1
16 under such regulations as the Secretary may prescribe,
17 and at a price sufficient to cover the costs of the medals,
18 including labor, materials, dies, use of machinery, and
19 overhead expenses.

20 **SEC. 3. NATIONAL MEDALS.**

21 The medals struck pursuant to this Act are national
22 medals for purposes of chapter 51 of title 31, United
23 States Code.

1 **SEC. 4. 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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