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H. R. 2268

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and
Urban Affairs

AN ACT

To require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins
in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment
of Mother's Day.

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 “Mother’s Day Centen-
3 nial Commemorative Coin Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

5 The Congress hereby finds as follows:

6 (1) Anna Jarvis, who is considered to be the
7 founder of the modern Mother’s Day, was born in
8 Webster, West Virginia on May 1, 1864.

9 (2) A resident of Grafton, West Virginia, Anna
10 Jarvis dedicated much of her adult life to honoring
11 her mother, Anna Reeves Jarvis, who passed on May
12 9, 1905.

13 (3) In 1908, the Andrews Methodist Episcopal
14 Church of Grafton, West Virginia, officially pro-
15 claimed the third anniversary of Anna Reeves Jarvis’
16 death to be Mother’s Day.

17 (4) In 1910, West Virginia Governor, William
18 Glasscock, issued the first Mother’s Day Proclama-
19 tion encouraging all West Virginians to attend
20 church and wear white carnations.

21 (5) On May 8, 1914, the Sixty-Third Congress
22 approved H. J. Res. 263 designating the second
23 Sunday in May to be observed as Mother’s Day and
24 encouraging all Americans to display the American
25 flag at their homes as a public expression of the love
26 and reverence for the mothers of our Nation.

1 (6) On May 9, 1914, President Woodrow Wil-
2 son issued a Presidential Proclamation directing
3 government officials to display the American flag on
4 all government buildings and inviting the American
5 people to display the flag at their homes on the sec-
6 ond Sunday of May as a public expression of the
7 love and reverence for the mothers of our nation.

8 **SEC. 3. COIN SPECIFICATIONS.**

9 (a) DENOMINATIONS.—The Secretary of the Treas-
10 ury (hereinafter in this Act referred to as the “Secretary”)
11 shall mint and issue not more than 400,000 \$1 coins each
12 of which shall—

13 (1) weigh 26.73 grams;

14 (2) have a diameter of 1.500 inches; and

15 (3) contain 90 percent silver and 10 percent
16 copper.

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

20 (c) NUMISMATIC ITEMS.—For purposes of section
21 5136 of title 31, United States Code, all coins minted
22 under this Act shall be considered to be numismatic items.

23 **SEC. 4. DESIGN OF COINS.**

24 (a) DESIGN REQUIREMENTS.—The design of the
25 coins minted under this Act shall be emblematic of the

1 100th anniversary of President Wilson’s proclamation des-
2 ignating the second Sunday in May as Mother’s Day.

3 (b) DESIGNATION AND INSCRIPTIONS.—On each coin
4 minted under this Act there shall be—

5 (1) a designation of the value of the coin;

6 (2) an inscription of the year “2014”; and

7 (3) inscriptions of the words “Liberty”, “In
8 God We Trust”, “United States of America”, and
9 “E Pluribus Unum”.

10 (c) SELECTION.—The design for the coins minted
11 under this Act shall be—

12 (1) selected by the Secretary after consultation
13 with the Commission of Fine Arts; and

14 (2) reviewed by the Citizens Coinage Advisory
15 Committee established under section 5135 of title
16 31, United States Code.

17 **SEC. 5. ISSUANCE OF COINS.**

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

20 (b) COMMENCEMENT OF ISSUANCE.—The Secretary
21 may issue coins minted under this Act beginning January
22 1, 2014, except that the Secretary may initiate sales of
23 such coins, without issuance, before such date.

1 (c) TERMINATION OF MINTING AUTHORITY.—No
2 coins shall be minted under this Act after December 31,
3 2014.

4 **SEC. 6. SALE OF COINS.**

5 (a) SALE PRICE.—Notwithstanding any other provi-
6 sion of law, the coins issued under this Act shall be sold
7 by the Secretary at a price equal to the sum of the face
8 value of the coins, the surcharge required under section
9 7(a) for the coins, and the cost of designing and issuing
10 such coins (including labor, materials, dies, use of machin-
11 ery, overhead expenses, and marketing).

12 (b) BULK SALES.—The Secretary shall make bulk
13 sales of the coins issued under this Act at a reasonable
14 discount.

15 (c) PREPAID ORDERS AT A DISCOUNT.—

16 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall accept
17 prepaid orders for the coins minted under this Act
18 before the issuance of such coins.

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

22 **SEC. 7. SURCHARGES.**

23 (a) SURCHARGE REQUIRED.—All sales shall include
24 a surcharge of \$10 per coin.

1 (b) DISTRIBUTION.—Subject to section 5134(f) of
2 title 31, United States Code, all surcharges which are re-
3 ceived by the Secretary from the sale of coins issued under
4 this Act shall be promptly paid by the Secretary as follows:

5 (1) $\frac{1}{2}$ to the Susan G. Komen for the Cure for
6 the purpose of furthering research funded by the or-
7 ganization.

8 (2) $\frac{1}{2}$ to the National Osteoporosis Foundation
9 for the purpose of furthering research funded by the
10 Foundation.

11 (c) AUDITS.—The Susan G. Komen for the Cure and
12 the National Osteoporosis Foundation shall be subject to
13 the audit requirements of section 5134(f)(2) of title 31,
14 United States Code, with regard to the amounts received
15 by the respective organizations under subsection (b).

16 (d) LIMITATION.—Notwithstanding subsection (a),
17 no surcharge may be included with respect to the issuance
18 under this Act of any coin during a calendar year if, as
19 of the time of such issuance, the issuance of such coin
20 would result in the number of commemorative coin pro-
21 grams issued during such year to exceed the annual 2
22 commemorative coin program issuance limitation under
23 section 5112(m)(1) of title 31, United States Code (as in
24 effect on the date of the enactment of this Act). The Sec-

- 1 retary of the Treasury may issue guidance to carry out
- 2 this subsection.

Passed the House of Representatives June 10, 2008.

Attest: LORRAINE C. MILLER,
Clerk.