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To award a congressional gold medal to Lou Rawls.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. WAXMAN (for himself and Mrs. COLLINS of Illinois) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs

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 that—

5 (1) Lou Rawls is a stellar entertainer and com-
6 mitted humanitarian;

7 (2) Lou Rawls is unsurpassed in his work to
8 advance the cause of educational opportunities for
9 African Americans;

10 (3) Lou Rawls organizes and hosts the annual
11 “Lou Rawls Parade of Stars” telethon for the Unit-

1 ed Negro College Fund which has raised more than
2 \$160,000,000 for such Fund and provides approxi-
3 mately 20 percent of the annual revenues of the
4 Fund; and

5 (4) since the United Negro College Fund annu-
6 ally benefits more than 50,000 students attending
7 historically black colleges, the tireless efforts of Lou
8 Rawls have helped more than 600,000 young people
9 to realize their educational dreams since the telethon
10 began in 1979.

11 **SEC. 2. CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL.**

12 (a) PRESENTATION AUTHORIZED.—The President is
13 authorized to present, on behalf of the Congress, to Lou
14 Rawls, a gold medal of appropriate design, in recognition
15 of his work on behalf of educational opportunities for Afri-
16 can Americans.

17 (b) DESIGN AND STRIKING.—For purposes of the
18 presentation referred to in subsection (a), the Secretary
19 of the Treasury shall strike a gold medal with suitable em-
20 blems, devices, and inscriptions to be determined by the
21 Secretary.

22 (c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATION.—There are
23 authorized to be appropriated not to exceed \$20,000 to
24 carry out this section.

1 **SEC. 3. DUPLICATE MEDALS.**

2 (a) STRIKING AND SALE.—The Secretary of the
3 Treasury may strike and sell duplicates in bronze of the
4 gold medal struck pursuant to section 2 under such regu-
5 lations as the Secretary may prescribe, at a price sufficient
6 to cover the cost of such duplicates, including labor, mate-
7 rials, dies, use of machinery, and overhead expenses, and
8 the cost of the gold medal.

9 (b) REIMBURSEMENT OF APPROPRIATION.—The ap-
10 propriation used to carry out section 2 shall be reimbursed
11 out of the proceeds of sales under subsection (a).

12 **SEC. 4. NATIONAL MEDALS.**

13 The medals struck pursuant to this Act are national
14 medals for purposes of chapter 51 of title 31, United
15 States Code.

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