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To require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the Vietnam Women's Memorial.

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Mrs. MORELLA (for herself and Ms. LAMBERT) 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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the "Vietnam Women's Me-
5 morial Coin Act of 1994".

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

7 (a) ONE-DOLLAR SILVER COINS.—

8 (1) ISSUANCE.—The Secretary of the Treasury
9 (hereafter in this Act referred to as the "Secretary")
10 shall issue not more than 600,000 one-dollar coins,

1 which shall weigh 26.73 grams, have a diameter of
2 1.500 inches, and contain 90 percent silver and 10
3 percent copper.

4 (2) DESIGN.—The design of the coins issued
5 under this Act shall be emblematic of the Vietnam
6 Women’s Memorial sculpture. On each coin there
7 shall be a designation of the value of the coin, an
8 inscription of the year “1994”, and inscriptions of
9 the words “Liberty”, “In God We Trust”, “United
10 States of America”, and “E Pluribus Unum”.

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

14 **SEC. 3. SOURCES OF BULLION.**

15 The Secretary shall obtain silver for the coins minted
16 under this Act only from stockpiles established under the
17 Strategic and Critical Minerals Stock Piling Act (50
18 U.S.C. 98 et seq.).

19 **SEC. 4. SELECTION OF DESIGN.**

20 The design for the coins authorized by this Act shall
21 be selected by the Secretary after consultation with the
22 Chair of the Vietnam Women’s Memorial Project, Incorporated.
23 As required by section 5135 of title 31, United
24 States Code, the design shall also be reviewed by the Citizens
25 Commemorative Advisory 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 1 facility of the United
5 States Mint may be used to strike any particular quality
6 of the coins minted under this Act.

7 (c) PERIOD FOR ISSUANCE.—The coins authorized
8 under this Act shall be available for issue not later than
9 July 4, 1994, and shall be minted only during the 1-year
10 period beginning on such date.

11 **SEC. 6. SALE OF COINS.**

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

19 (b) PREPAID ORDERS.—The Secretary shall accept
20 prepaid orders for the coins authorized under this Act
21 prior to the issuance of such coins. Sale prices with respect
22 to such prepaid orders shall be at a reasonable discount.

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

1 **SEC. 7. GENERAL WAIVER OF PROCUREMENT REGULA-**
2 **TIONS.**

3 No provision of law governing procurement or public
4 contracts shall be applicable to the procurement of goods
5 or services necessary for carrying out the provisions of this
6 Act. Nothing in this section shall relieve any person enter-
7 ing into a contract under the authority of this Act from
8 complying with any law relating to equal employment op-
9 portunity.

10 **SEC. 8. DISTRIBUTION OF SURCHARGES.**

11 All surcharges received by the Secretary from the sale
12 of coins issued under this Act shall be promptly paid by
13 the Secretary to the Vietnam Women's Memorial Project,
14 Incorporated, to be used—

15 (1) to establish and maintain an endowment to
16 be a permanent source of support for the Vietnam
17 Women's Memorial;

18 (2) for education and research concerning veter-
19 ans and their families; and

20 (3) for the identification and documentation of
21 the more than 250,000 women who served in the
22 Armed Forces of the United States during the Viet-
23 nam era.

24 **SEC. 9. AUDITS.**

25 The Comptroller General shall have the right to ex-
26 amine such books, records, documents, and other data of

1 the Vietnam Women's Memorial Project, Incorporated, as
2 may be related to the expenditures of amounts paid under
3 section 8.

4 **SEC. 10. NUMISMATIC PUBLIC ENTERPRISE FUND.**

5 The coins issued under this Act are subject to the
6 provisions of section 5134 of title 31, United States Code,
7 relating to the Numismatic Public Enterprise Fund.

8 **SEC. 11. FINANCIAL ASSURANCES.**

9 It is the sense of the Congress that this coin program
10 shall be self-sustaining, and should be administered to re-
11 sult in no net cost to the Numismatic Public Enterprise
12 Fund.

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