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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. PAYMENT FOR THE BENEFIT OF CLAIMANT.**

4 The Secretary of the Treasury shall pay, out of any
5 money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated,
6 \$125,000 to Melissa Johnson of Barryville, New York.
7 Such sum shall be in full and complete settlement of all
8 claims against the United States arising out of the per-
9 sonal injuries and mental pain and suffering incurred as
10 a result of the sexual assault and molestation of Melissa
11 Johnson by an employee of the United States Postal Serv-
12 ice on June 3, 1982, and various other dates.

1 **SEC. 2. DEPOSIT OF AMOUNT IN TRUST ACCOUNTS.**

2 Barbara Johnson Lizzi of Barryville, New York, the
3 mother of Melissa Johnson, shall deposit the sum paid
4 under section 1 in a federally insured depository institu-
5 tion in an interest bearing account or accounts in trust
6 for Melissa Johnson. Barbara Johnson Lizzi shall serve
7 as sole trustee of such account or accounts and, as such
8 trustee—

9 (1) shall pay those debts and obligations which
10 are outstanding at the time the sum is paid under
11 section 1 to the extent those debts and obligations
12 arise from the injuries and pain and suffering de-
13 scribed in section 1;

14 (2) shall, until Melissa Johnson reaches the age
15 of majority under the laws of the State in which Me-
16 lissa Johnson is residing at the time, pay, from the
17 amounts in the trust account or accounts, expenses
18 incurred for Melissa Johnson's medical care and
19 education; and

20 (3) shall, when Melissa Johnson reaches the age
21 of majority under the laws of the State in which Me-
22 lissa Johnson is residing at the time, pay to Melissa
23 Johnson all amounts remaining in the trust account
24 or accounts.

1 **SEC. 3. LIMITATION ON ATTORNEYS' FEES.**

2 Not more than 10 percent of the amount appro-
3 priated by section 1 may be paid or delivered to or received
4 by any agent or attorney on account of services rendered
5 in connection with the claim described in section 1, not-
6 withstanding any contract which provides otherwise. Any
7 person who violates the provisions of this section shall be
8 guilty of an infraction and shall be subject to a fine in
9 the amount provided in title 18, United States Code.

Passed the House of Representatives August 3,
1993.

Attest:

Clerk.