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# S. 2498

To award a congressional gold medal to Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

OCTOBER 4 (legislative day, SEPTEMBER 12), 1994

Mr. D'AMATO introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

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## 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 hereby finds the following:

5               (1) Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson, the  
6       leader of the Lubavitch movement for 40 years, has  
7       made outstanding and last contributions toward im-  
8       provements in world education, morality, and acts of  
9       charity.

10              (2) Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson, as a  
11       refugee first from Stalinist Russia and then from

1 Nazi Germany, has made the headquarters of the  
2 Chabad-Lubavitch movement in New York City a  
3 center of over 2,000 educational, social, and rehabili-  
4 tative institutions touching millions of people from  
5 all walks of life in every corner of the globe.

6 (3) Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson,  
7 throughout his 92 years of life, has exemplified the  
8 highest ideals of scholarship, teaching, ethics, and  
9 charity.

10 (4) Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson has  
11 interpreted with keen insight the miraculous events  
12 of our time and has inspired people to a renewal of  
13 individual values of spirituality, cooperation, and  
14 love of learning.

15 (5) Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson's ex-  
16 traordinary life and work have long been recognized  
17 by the Congress through the enactment of joint reso-  
18 lutions designating his birthday in each of the last  
19 16 years as "Education and Sharing Day, U.S.A."

20 **SEC. 2. CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL.**

21 (a) PRESENTATION AUTHORIZED.—The President is  
22 authorized to present, on behalf of the Congress, to the  
23 Lubavitcher rebbe, Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson,  
24 a gold medal of appropriate design, in recognition of his

1 outstanding and enduring contributions toward world edu-  
2 cation, morality, and acts of charity.

3 (b) DESIGN AND STRIKING.—For purposes of the  
4 presentation referred to in subsection (a), the Secretary  
5 of the Treasury shall strike a gold medal with suitable em-  
6 blems, devices, and inscriptions reflecting the theme of  
7 education to be determined by the Secretary.

8 (c) GIFTS OR DONATIONS.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Treas-  
10 ury shall accept, use, and disburse gifts or donations  
11 of property or money to carry out this section.

12 (2) NO APPROPRIATION AUTHORIZED.—No  
13 amount is authorized to be appropriated to carry out  
14 this section.

15 **SEC. 3. DUPLICATE MEDALS.**

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

1 **SEC. 4. NATIONAL MEDALS.**

2       The medals struck pursuant to this Act are national  
3 medals for purposes of chapter 51 of title 31, United  
4 States Code.

