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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. WELLSTONE (for himself and Mr. DAYTON) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, 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) Eugene McCarthy has a distinguished
6 record of public service to the American people;

7 (2) as a member of the United States Senate
8 and House of Representatives for more than 2 dec-
9 ades, as a candidate for the Democratic presidential

1 nomination, and as a private citizen speaking out for
2 reform of the political process, Eugene McCarthy
3 has made a lasting contribution to the Nation's wel-
4 fare;

5 (3) Eugene McCarthy has exemplified the high-
6 est standards of public service and dedication to con-
7 stitutional principles through his efforts to shape
8 legislation on civil rights, tax policy, social security
9 and medicare, the minimum wage, unemployment
10 compensation, government reform, foreign policy,
11 and congressional oversight of the Central Intel-
12 ligence Agency;

13 (4) Eugene McCarthy's principled campaign for
14 the Democratic presidential nomination in 1968, and
15 his courageous stand regarding United States with-
16 drawal from the war in Vietnam inspired countless
17 young people to believe that they could make a dif-
18 ference in public life, underscored the role of the
19 Congress in foreign policy, and helped to hasten the
20 end of the most controversial war in American his-
21 tory; and

22 (5) as a distinguished author, poet, and lec-
23 turer, Eugene McCarthy has elevated the language
24 of public dialogue in a way that epitomizes the deep-

1 est and most cherished values of American political
2 life.

3 **SEC. 2. CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL.**

4 (a) PRESENTATION AUTHORIZED.—The President is
5 authorized to present at the Capitol, on behalf of the Con-
6 gress, a gold medal of appropriate design to Eugene
7 McCarthy in recognition of his service to the Nation.

8 (b) DESIGN AND STRIKING.—For the purpose of the
9 presentation referred to in subsection (a), the Secretary
10 of the Treasury (in this Act referred to as the “Sec-
11 retary”) shall strike a gold medal with suitable emblems,
12 devices, and inscriptions, to be determined by the Sec-
13 retary.

14 (c) SUBSEQUENT ARRANGEMENTS FOR PRESEN-
15 TATION.—Subsection (a) shall not be construed as pro-
16 viding the consent of the House of Representatives or the
17 Senate for the use of any particular part of the Capitol
18 or the grounds of the Capitol for purposes of the presen-
19 tation referred to in subsection (a).

20 **SEC. 3. DUPLICATE MEDALS.**

21 Under such regulations as the Secretary may pre-
22 scribe, the Secretary may strike and sell duplicates in
23 bronze of the gold medal struck pursuant to section 2 at
24 a price sufficient to cover the costs of the medals (includ-

1 ing labor, materials, dies, use of machinery, and overhead
2 expenses) and the cost of the gold medal.

3 **SEC. 4. NATIONAL MEDALS.**

4 The medals struck under this Act are national medals
5 for purposes of chapter 51 of title 31, United States Code.

6 **SEC. 5. FUNDING AND PROCEEDS OF SALE.**

7 (a) AUTHORIZATION.—There is hereby authorized to
8 be charged against the United States Mint Public Enter-
9 prise Fund an amount not to exceed \$30,000 to pay for
10 the cost of the medals authorized by this Act.

11 (b) PROCEEDS OF SALE.—Amounts received from the
12 sale of duplicate bronze medals under section 3 shall be
13 deposited in the United States Mint Public Enterprise
14 Fund.

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