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To require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration
of Associate Justice Thurgood Marshall.

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Mr. RANGEL introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Financial Services

A BILL

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in commemoration of Associate Justice Thurgood Marshall.

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 “Thurgood Marshall
5 Commemorative Coin Act”.

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

7 (a) \$1 SILVER COINS.—The Secretary of the Treas-
8 ury (hereafter in this Act referred to as the “Secretary”)
9 shall mint and issue not more than 500,000 1 dollar coins,
10 which shall—

- 1 (1) weigh 26.73 grams;
- 2 (2) have a diameter of 1.500 inches; and
- 3 (3) contain 90 percent silver and 10 percent
- 4 copper.

5 (b) LEGAL TENDER.—The coins minted under this
6 Act shall be legal tender, as provided in section 5103 of
7 title 31, United States Code.

8 (c) NUMISMATIC ITEMS.—For purposes of section
9 5134 of title 31, United States Code, all coins minted
10 under this Act shall be considered to be numismatic items.

11 **SEC. 3. SOURCES OF BULLION.**

12 The Secretary shall obtain silver for minting coins
13 under this Act in a manner authorized under section
14 5116(b) of title 31, United States Code.

15 **SEC. 4. DESIGN OF COINS.**

16 (a) DESIGN REQUIREMENTS.—

17 (1) IN GENERAL.—The design of the coins
18 minted under this Act shall be emblematic of the
19 tenure of Associate Justice Thurgood Marshall on
20 the Supreme Court of the United States.

21 (2) DESIGNATION AND INSCRIPTIONS.—On
22 each coin minted under this Act there shall be—

23 (A) a designation of the value of the coin;

24 (B) an inscription of the year in which the
25 coin is first issued; and

1 (C) inscriptions of the words “Liberty”,
2 “In God We Trust”, “United States of Amer-
3 ica”, and “E Pluribus Unum”.

4 (b) SELECTION.—The design for the coins minted
5 under this Act shall be—

6 (1) selected by the Secretary after consultation
7 with the Supreme Court Historical Society, the fam-
8 ily of the late Thurgood Marshall, and the Commis-
9 sion of Fine Arts; and

10 (2) reviewed by the Citizens Commemorative
11 Coin Advisory Committee.

12 **SEC. 5. ISSUANCE OF COINS.**

13 (a) QUALITY OF COINS.—Coins minted under this
14 Act shall be issued in uncirculated and proof qualities.

15 (b) MINT FACILITY.—Only 1 facility of the United
16 States Mint may be used to strike any particular quality
17 of the coins minted under this Act.

18 (c) PERIOD FOR ISSUANCE.—The Secretary may
19 issue coins minted under this Act only during the 1-year
20 period beginning 90 days after the enactment of this Act.

21 **SEC. 6. SALE OF COINS.**

22 (a) SALE PRICE.—The coins issued under this Act
23 shall be sold by the Secretary at a price equal to the sum
24 of—

25 (1) the face value of the coins;

1 (b) EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY.—Sub-
2 section (a) shall not relieve any person entering into a con-
3 tract under the authority of this Act from complying with
4 any law relating to equal employment opportunity.

5 **SEC. 8. DISTRIBUTION OF SURCHARGES.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—All surcharges received by the
7 Secretary from the sale of coins issued under this Act shall
8 be promptly paid by the Secretary to the Historical Pres-
9 ervation Committee of the Supreme Court Historical Soci-
10 ety for the purpose of collecting and preserving the phys-
11 ical history of the Supreme Court, including—

12 (1) research on the history of the entire judicial
13 branch of the Federal Government;

14 (2) the acquisition of objects and documents re-
15 lating to the events associated with the Supreme
16 Court of the United States in the course of the
17 Court's history; and

18 (3) the acquisition and preservation of docu-
19 ments, portraits, and period furnishings of historical
20 significance affecting the history of the Supreme
21 Court for the inspiration and benefit of the people
22 of the United States.

23 (b) AUDITS.—The Comptroller General of the United
24 States shall have the right to examine such books, records,
25 documents, and other data of the Supreme Court Histor-

1 ical Society as may be related to the expenditures of
2 amounts paid under subsection (a).

3 **SEC. 9. FINANCIAL ASSURANCES.**

4 (a) NO NET COST TO THE GOVERNMENT.—The Sec-
5 retary shall take such actions as may be necessary to en-
6 sure that minting and issuing coins under this Act will
7 not result in any net cost to the United States Govern-
8 ment.

9 (b) PAYMENT FOR COINS.—A coin shall not be issued
10 under this Act unless the Secretary has received—

11 (1) full payment for the coin;

12 (2) security satisfactory to the Secretary to in-
13 demnify the United States for full payment; or

14 (3) a guarantee of full payment satisfactory to
15 the Secretary from a depository institution whose
16 deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insur-
17 ance Corporation or the National Credit Union Ad-
18 ministration Board.

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