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To require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration
of Mother's Day.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 8, 2014

Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself and Mr. MANCHIN) 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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in commemoration of Mother's Day.

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 "Mother's Day Com-
5 memorative Coin Act".

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress finds the following:

8 (1) Anna Jarvis, who is considered to be the
9 founder of the modern Mother's Day, was born in
10 Webster, West Virginia, on May 1, 1864.

1 (2) Anna Jarvis, a resident of Grafton, West
2 Virginia, dedicated much of her adult life to hon-
3 oring her mother, Ann Maria Reeves Jarvis, who
4 passed on May 9, 1905.

5 (3) In 1908, the Andrews Methodist Episcopal
6 Church of Grafton, West Virginia, officially pro-
7 claimed the third anniversary of Ann Maria Reeves
8 Jarvis's death to be Mother's Day.

9 (4) In 1910, West Virginia Governor, William
10 Glasscock, issued the first Mother's Day proclama-
11 tion encouraging all West Virginians to attend
12 church and wear white carnations.

13 (5) On May 8, 1914, H.J. Res. 263 was en-
14 acted, designating the second Sunday in May to be
15 observed as Mother's Day, and encouraging all
16 Americans to display the American flag at their
17 homes as a public expression of the love and rev-
18 erence for the mothers of our Nation.

19 (6) On May 9, 1914, President Woodrow Wil-
20 son issued a Presidential proclamation directing gov-
21 ernment officials to display the American flag on all
22 government buildings and inviting the American peo-
23 ple to display the flag at their homes on the second
24 Sunday of May as a public expression of the love
25 and reverence for the mothers of our Nation.

1 **SEC. 3. COIN SPECIFICATIONS.**

2 (a) DENOMINATIONS.—The Secretary of the Treas-
3 ury (referred to in this Act as the “Secretary”) shall mint
4 and issue not more than 400,000 \$1 coins, each of which
5 shall—

6 (1) weigh 26.73 grams;

7 (2) have a diameter of 1.500 inches; and

8 (3) contain 90 percent silver and 10 percent
9 copper.

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

13 (c) NUMISMATIC ITEMS.—For purposes of sections
14 5134 and 5136 of title 31, United States Code, all coins
15 minted under this Act shall be considered to be numis-
16 matic items.

17 **SEC. 4. DESIGN OF COINS.**

18 (a) DESIGN REQUIREMENTS.—The design of the
19 coins minted under this Act shall be emblematic of the
20 celebration of Mother’s Day.

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

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

24 (2) an inscription of the year “2018”; and

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

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

6 (1) selected by the Secretary after consultation
7 with the Commission of Fine Arts; and

8 (2) reviewed by the Citizens Coinage Advisory
9 Committee established under section 5135 of title
10 31, United States Code.

11 **SEC. 5. ISSUANCE OF COINS.**

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

14 (b) COMMENCEMENT OF ISSUANCE.—The Secretary
15 may issue coins minted under this Act beginning on Janu-
16 ary 1, 2018, except that the Secretary may initiate sales
17 of the coins before such date.

18 (c) TERMINATION OF MINTING AUTHORITY.—No
19 coins shall be minted under this Act after December 31,
20 2018.

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

22 (a) SALE PRICE.—Notwithstanding any other provi-
23 sion of law, the coins minted under this Act shall be sold
24 by the Secretary at a price equal to the sum of the face
25 value of the coins, the surcharge required under section

1 7(a) for the coins, and the cost of designing and issuing
2 such coins (including labor, materials, dies, use of machin-
3 ery, overhead expenses, and marketing).

4 (b) BULK SALES.—The Secretary shall make bulk
5 sales of the coins minted under this Act at a reasonable
6 discount.

7 (c) PREPAID ORDERS AT A DISCOUNT.—

8 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall accept
9 prepaid orders for the coins minted under this Act
10 before the issuance of such coins.

11 (2) DISCOUNT.—Sale prices with respect to pre-
12 paid orders under paragraph (1) shall be at a rea-
13 sonable discount.

14 **SEC. 7. SURCHARGES.**

15 (a) SURCHARGE REQUIRED.—All sales of coins mint-
16 ed under this Act shall include a surcharge of \$10 per
17 coin.

18 (b) DISTRIBUTION.—Subject to section 5134(f) of
19 title 31, United States Code, all surcharges which are re-
20 ceived by the Secretary from the sale of coins minted
21 under this Act shall be promptly paid by the Secretary
22 as follows:

23 (1) 50 percent to the St. Jude Children's Re-
24 search Hospital, for the purpose of furthering re-
25 search funded by the hospital.

1 (2) 50 percent to the National Osteoporosis
2 Foundation, for the purpose of furthering research
3 activities and research funded by the foundation.

4 (c) AUDITS.—The St. Jude Children’s Research Hos-
5 pital and the National Osteoporosis Foundation shall be
6 subject to the audit requirements of section 5134(f)(2) of
7 title 31, United States Code, with regard to the amounts
8 received by the respective organizations under subsection
9 (b).

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