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

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. MCKINLEY (for himself, Mrs. CAPITO, and Mr. RAHALL) introduced the
following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Financial Services

A BILL

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in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment
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 Centen-
5 nial Commemorative Coin Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 The Congress hereby finds as follows:

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) A resident of Grafton, West Virginia, Anna
2 Jarvis dedicated much of her adult life to honoring
3 her mother, Anna Maria Reeves Jarvis, who passed
4 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 Anna 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, the Sixty-Third Congress
14 approved H.J. Res. 263, designating the second
15 Sunday in May to be observed as Mother's Day, and
16 encouraging all Americans to display the American
17 flag at their homes as a public expression of the love
18 and reverence for the mothers of our Nation.

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

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

2 (a) DENOMINATIONS.—The Secretary of the Treas-
3 ury (hereinafter in this Act referred to as the “Secretary”)
4 shall mint and issue not more than 400,000 \$1 coins, each
5 of which 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 in section 5103 of
12 title 31, United States Code.

13 (c) NUMISMATIC ITEMS.—For purposes of section
14 5136 of title 31, United States Code, all coins minted
15 under this Act shall be considered to be numismatic items.

16 **SEC. 4. DESIGN OF COINS.**

17 (a) DESIGN REQUIREMENTS.—The design of the
18 coins minted under this Act shall be emblematic of the
19 100th anniversary of President Wilson’s proclamation des-
20 ignating the second Sunday in May as 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 “2014”; 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 for 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, 2014, except that the Secretary may initiate sales
17 of such coins before such date.

18 (c) TERMINATION OF MINTING AUTHORITY.—No
19 coins shall be minted under this Act after December 31,
20 2014.

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) $\frac{1}{2}$ to the Susan G. Komen for the Cure, for
24 the purpose of furthering research funded by the or-
25 ganization.

1 (2) $\frac{1}{2}$ to the National Osteoporosis Founda-
2 tion, for the purpose of furthering research funded
3 by the Foundation.

4 (c) AUDITS.—The Susan G. Komen for the Cure and
5 the National Osteoporosis Foundation shall be subject to
6 the audit requirements of section 5134(f)(2) of title 31,
7 United States Code, with regard to the amounts received
8 by the respective organizations under subsection (b).

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