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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

DECEMBER 16, 2015

Mr. MARKEY (for himself, Ms. AYOTTE, Ms. WARREN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mr. RUBIO) 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 Congress finds that—

5 (1) on September 11, 2012, the Temporary  
6 Mission Facility of the United States, and its per-

1       sonnel in Benghazi, Libya, were attacked by mili-  
2       tants;

3               (2) four Americans were killed in the terrorist  
4       attack, including Ambassador J. Christopher Ste-  
5       vens, Sean Smith, Glen Doherty, and Tyrone Woods;

6               (3) Glen Doherty and Tyrone Woods were  
7       former Navy SEALs who served as security per-  
8       sonnel in Libya and who, as the attack unfolded,  
9       bravely attempted to protect United States personnel  
10      and defend United States property, which in so  
11      doing, they selflessly sacrificed their own lives;

12              (4) J. Christopher Stevens served for 21 years  
13      in the United States Foreign Service;

14              (5) J. Christopher Stevens was serving as  
15      United States Ambassador to Libya and previously  
16      served twice in the country, as both Special Rep-  
17      resentative to the Libyan Transitional National  
18      Council and as the Deputy Chief of Mission;

19              (6) earlier in his life, J. Christopher Stevens  
20      also served as a Peace Corps volunteer teaching  
21      English in Morocco;

22              (7) Glen Doherty was a Navy SEAL for 12  
23      years and served in Iraq and Afghanistan and at-  
24      tained the rank of Petty Officer First Class and

1 earned the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation  
2 Medal;

3 (8) after leaving the Navy, Glen Doherty  
4 worked to protect American personnel abroad;

5 (9) Tyrone Woods served for 20 years as a  
6 Navy SEAL including tours in Iraq and Afghani-  
7 stan;

8 (10) in Iraq Tyrone Woods led multiple raids  
9 and reconnaissance missions and earned the Bronze  
10 Star;

11 (11) after retiring from the Navy as a Senior  
12 Chief Petty Officer, Tyrone Woods worked to protect  
13 American personnel abroad;

14 (12) Sean Smith served for 6 years in the  
15 United States Air Force, where he attained the rank  
16 of Staff Sergeant and was awarded the Air Force  
17 Commendation Medal;

18 (13) after leaving the Air Force, Sean Smith  
19 served for 10 years in the Department of State on  
20 various assignments, which took him to places such  
21 as Baghdad, Brussels, Pretoria, and The Hague;  
22 and

23 (14) as their careers attest, all four men served  
24 their country honorably.

1 **SEC. 2. CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL.**

2 (a) AWARD AUTHORIZED.—The President pro tem-  
3 pore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Rep-  
4 resentatives shall make appropriate arrangements for the  
5 posthumous award, on behalf of the Congress, of a gold  
6 medal of appropriate design in commemoration of J.  
7 Christopher Stevens, Glen Doherty, Tyrone Woods, and  
8 Sean Smith in recognition of their contributions to the  
9 United States.

10 (b) DESIGN AND STRIKING.—For the purposes of the  
11 awards referred to in subsection (a), the Secretary of the  
12 Treasury (hereafter in this Act referred to as the “Sec-  
13 retary”) shall strike the gold medals with suitable em-  
14 blems, devices, and inscriptions, to be determined by the  
15 Secretary.

16 **SEC. 3. DUPLICATE MEDALS.**

17 Under such regulations as the Secretary may pre-  
18 scribe, the Secretary may strike and sell duplicates in  
19 bronze of the gold medals struck under section 2, at a  
20 price sufficient to cover the costs of the medals, including  
21 labor, materials, dies, use of machinery, and overhead ex-  
22 penses, and the cost of the gold medals.

23 **SEC. 4. NATIONAL MEDALS.**

24 Medals struck pursuant to this Act are national med-  
25 als for purposes of chapter 51 of title 31, United States  
26 Code.

1 **SEC. 5. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS; PROCEEDS**  
2 **OF SALE.**

3 (a) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is  
4 authorized to be charged against the United States Mint  
5 Public Enterprise Fund such amounts as may be nec-  
6 essary to pay for the cost of the medals struck pursuant  
7 to this Act.

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

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