## Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee

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June 23, 2017

The Honorable Steven T. Mnuchin Secretary of the Treasury Department of the Treasury 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, D.C. 20220

Dear Secretary Mnuchin,

A public meeting of the Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee (CCAC) was held on Wednesday, June 21, 2017, to review and discuss the reverse designs for the 2019 Apollo 11 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Commemorative Coin series, consisting of a \$5 gold coin, \$1 silver coin, half-dollar clad coin, and a five-ounce \$1 silver proof coin. Public Law 114-282 requires the reverse to "be a representation of a close-up of the famous 'Buzz Aldrin on the Moon' photograph taken July 20, 1969, that shows just the visor and part of the helmet of Buzz Aldrin." The reflection includes astronaut Neil Armstrong, a solar wind collector, the United States flag, and the lunar lander.

The Act further requires that all coins be curved.

With input from representatives from NASA, including their Chief Historian Bill Barry, the Committee reviewed and discussed the variations on the mandated reverse design. A motion was made and passed unanimously for A11-R-03. The Committee further requested that the denominations be spelled out, and in the case of the 5-ounce proof coin, that the weight and fineness be placed on the edge.

The obverse will be chosen by a 6-person panel, three members each from the Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee and the Commission on Fine Arts, in a public design competition chosen from a pool of entries submitted by U.S citizens and permanent residents who have experience or interest in visual arts, illustration or sculpting.

This jury selection will take place in October, 2017.

Best regards, I am

Mary N. Lannin

Chair