



CITIZENS COINAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

801 9TH STREET, NW
WASHINGTON, DC 20220

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The Honorable Janet Yellen
Secretary of the Treasury
Department of the Treasury
1500 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington DC 20220

Dear Madam Secretary:

The Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee (CCAC) held a public meeting on February 28, 2023, during which the CCAC reviewed reverse candidate designs for the 2024 American Innovation \$1 Coin honoring innovations in Missouri. As background information regarding this program will accompany this communication, this letter details the CCAC's recommendations.

The state of Missouri proposes to honor the innovator George Washington Carver, a renowned scientist responsible for major innovations in agriculture. For the state of Missouri, the CCAC was joined by Mr. Tyler Hobbs, Senior Policy Advisor of the Office of the Governor of Missouri.

The CCAC reviewed eleven reverse candidate designs, from which the Committee recommended **MO-10** with a score of 29 points out of the 30 maximum score. This design presents a portrait of Mr. Carver gently smiling while examining a sample of his work in his laboratory. The incused inscription is "George Washington Carver." Reverse candidate design **MO-10** was also the preference of the state of Missouri and the Commission of Fine Arts (CFA). Regarding the CFA's suggested modification of the inscription of "Missouri", the CCAC recommended that the United States Mint uses its discretion to maintain the artistry of the design.

Once again and on behalf of the CCAC, it is an honor and privilege for the CCAC to continue its participation in the design process of this ongoing series, especially as it recognizes the contributions of an African American as the country just concluded its celebration of Black history month.

As a collector of this series, the addition of the Missouri 2024 coin will continue the interest of numismatists in the American Innovation Dollar program.

Sincerely,

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