March 8, 2011

The Honorable Timothy F. Geithner
Secretary of the Treasury
Department of the Treasury
1500 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C. 20220

Dear Secretary Geithner:

A public meeting of the Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee (Committee) was held on Tuesday, March 1, 2011, at United States Mint Headquarters in Washington, DC. The Committee reviewed and discussed 2012 First Spouse Gold Coin and Medal Program Design Narratives.

The Committee discussed narratives for Frances Cleveland, Caroline Scott Harrison and suffragist Alice Paul, who is designated in the Presidential $1 Coin Act of 2005 (Act) (Public Law 109-145) to be honored on the obverse of President Chester A. Arthur’s corresponding First Spouse Gold Coin. (Pursuant to the Act, the reverse design is to be emblematic of the suffrage movement.) Members commented on the traditional domestic roles played by first spouses in the late 19th century and expressed an interest in seeking design themes inclusive of civic and other themes where such themes may be possible. At the conclusion of the discussion, the Committee requested that U.S. Mint staff advise on the final thematic content of the above listed narratives.

Sincerely,

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Gary B. Marks
Chair