

Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee

801 Ninth Street, NW, Washington, DC 20220



March 22, 2016

The Honorable Jacob J. Lew
Secretary of the Treasury
Department of the Treasury
1500 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington D.C. 20220

Dear Secretary Lew:

A public meeting of Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee (CCAC) was held on Tuesday, March 15, 2016 to review proposed obverse and reverse designs for the 2017 20th Anniversary American Eagle Platinum Proof Coin.

With but a single obverse and reverse from which to choose, the Committee unanimously recommends for the pairing first seen in the inaugural 1997 issue, with the Statue of Liberty obverse designed by former Chief Engraver, John Mercanti, paired with the soaring eagle on the reverse, designed by former Mint sculptor-engraver Thomas D. Rogers.

Best regards, I am

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Mary N. Lannin
Chair

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A public meeting of the Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee (CCAC) was held on Tuesday, March 15, 2016 to review proposed obverse and reverse designs for the 2017 American Liberty High Relief 24K Gold Coin and Silver Medal.

Mindful of the multiculturalism of our nation, the Committee took the opportunity to make a difference in applying a new perspective to broaden the view of Lady Liberty which, up to this point, has been cast in a European classical mold.

We felt we could be inclusive of the many races in our country, mindful that there are many ideals of a woman, and sensitive to these defining characteristics.

After studying the wide variety of Liberty depictions offered to the Committee, our recommendation is a profile view of an African-American woman, crowned by stars (HR-0-08). This remarkable and ground-breaking obverse, which garnered 28 of 33 points through the Committee's scoring process, is paired with an elegant eagle (HR-R-01), that received 29 of 33 possible points.

I am honored to be a part of the Committee which recommends these designs.

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This marks the first time the Committee reviewed obverse and reverse designs paired by the same artist for unity in design.

For the \$5 Gold Coin the Committee recommends Gold Pair 07 (BT-G-0-07 and BT-G-R-07), which received 24 of a possible 33 points through the Committee's scoring process. The winning pair has an obverse of Father Flanagan, facing left, with the reverse of a hand holding a sprouting acorn.

The recommendation for the silver dollar, pulled from the clad half dollar portfolio, is Clad Pair 13 (BT-C-0-13 and BT-C-R-13). The obverse features a young girl gazing pensively at an oak branch while the reverse shows her as part of happy group of five holding hands under a large oak tree. This design garnered 27 out of 33 possible points.

The recommendation for the clad half dollar design is Silver Pair 17 (BT-S-0-17 and BT-S-R-17) came from the silver portion of the portfolio. The obverse features an older boy in period dress, carrying a younger boy with leg braces. This helping theme is modernized on the reverse with an older boy carrying a younger girl, with the Boys Town pylon in the background. The design garnered 24 of a possible 33 points.

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