

July 5, 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 designs for Filipino Veterans of World War II Congressional Gold Medal.

In accordance with Public Law 114-265, this medal is to be awarded to the Filipino Veterans in recognition of their outstanding wartime accomplishments and service to the United States during World War II.

A thoughtful discussion by members of the Committee brought forth two outstanding designs – the obverse (FVWW2-O-4) depicts a Filipino Scout, a Filipino Infantry regiment officer and a guerilla soldier, with a determined infantry man on guard in the foreground. The obverse design received 26 of a possible 27 first place votes.

The reverse (FVWW2-R-01) displays both the American and Filipino World War II era flags. “United States Army Forces in the Far East” is inscribed along the top and bottom border, and the inscription of “Duty to Country” and the key locations of “Bataan & Corregidor,” “Luzon,” “Leyte,” and “Southern Philippines” are featured centrally. Inscribed upon a scroll between two flags are the significant years of “1941,” “1945,” and “1946.” This reverse design received 27 out of a possible 27 first place votes.

It was a privilege to work with Major General (Ret.) Tony Taguba, Chairman of the Filipino Veterans Recognition and Education Project, and his staff in order to honor those who fought for our country.

Best regards, I am



Mary N. Lannin  
Chair