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

Dear Secretary Mnuchin,

The Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee (CCAC) met in public session on Tuesday, October 15, 2019, to discuss the reverse designs for the 2021 and beyond quarter dollar. By statute, the quarter must feature a design of George Washington Crossing the Delaware River.

The committee reviewed twelve very nice and historically significant quarter designs. It was very clear that the recommendation of the committee is GWD-12. This design is a modernized design of Washington crossing the Delaware. The design depicts Washington in the foreground leading his troops through the ice-choked Delaware River during a nor'easter.

The committee recommends GWD-12 with 23 of possible 24 votes.

Respectfully,

Thomas Uram, Chairperson
CCAC

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Dear Secretary Mnuchin,

The Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee (CCAC) met in public session on Tuesday, October 15, 2019, to review and discuss the Women’s Suffrage Centennial Silver Medal. Recognizing that there is a pending legislation for a 2020 Women’s Suffrage Centennial Commemorative Silver Dollar, the CCAC reviewed the design portfolio from several perspectives. First, the CCAC reviewed the portfolios (presented as an historical portfolio and a modern portfolio) with an eye toward recommending a set of designs for a medal that would celebrate the centennial of the ratification of the 19th Amendment. In making this recommendation, the CCAC considered designs that would be able to stand on their own, yet also complement and extend the story told on a possible commemorative coin, should the legislation be enacted. In addition, the CCAC recommended a set of designs that could be produced as a silver dollar commemorating the ratification of the 19th Amendment.

The committee first reviewed designs from a historical portfolio. WS-H-01A features three women’s profiles overlapping showing different ages and ethnicities. Each woman is wearing a different type of hat to symbolize the many decades the movement spanned. The figure in the foreground is wearing a different type of hat to symbolize the many decades the movement spanned. The figure in the foreground is wearing a cloche hat with an art deco pattern and a button with the year 19th Amendment’s ratification. WS-H-01A received 19 out of a possible 24 votes. It should also be stated that WS-H-O-05 received 18 votes.

For the potential commemorative coin, the committee paired WS-H-O-01A with WS-H-R-04, which received 16 votes. WS-H-R-04 features text from the 19th Amendment beside Suffragists from different eras of the movement.

The Committee then turned to the Women’s Suffrage modern designs. WS-M-O-01 received 14 votes. This design depicts an allegorical tableau of a young African American woman offering a rose to a female child and an older woman in Suffragist garb holding a large American flag, representing a generational continuity between Edwardian era Suffragists and the young daughters of the modern era. The design is intended to represent the various generations of Women’s Suffrage, connecting the original Suffragists to the modern generation, and to show that the responsibility is now in their young hands. The inscription “1920-2020” is included. This design was selected contingent upon the modification that the flag would be folded behind the central figure so that the flag does not appear to be touching the ground.

For the silver medal WS-M-O-01 was paired with WS-M-R-08, receiving 18 votes. WS-M-R-08 depicts a prominent location for Suffragist protests, the Northwest Gate to the White House. The gate is open, representing accessibility granted to women voters by the ratification of the 19th Amendment. Arcing across the top of the design is the inscription, “THE 19TH AMENDMENT TO THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION.” The text of the amendment is centrally featured. The inscriptions “1920-2020” and “RATIFIED AUGUST 18, 1920” are included.

It should be noted that WS-M-R-01 received the second highest votes totaling 16.

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