October 7, 2020

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

Dear Mr. Secretary:

A public meeting of the Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee was held by teleconference on Wednesday, September 23, 2020. The CCAC reviewed the candidate designs for the obverse and reverse of the Congressional Gold Medal for Mary Winston Jackson.

Mrs. Jackson worked as a program manager, encouraging the hiring and promotion of the next generation of NASA’s female mathematicians, engineers, and scientists. The CCAC was informed that Mrs. Jackson’s granddaughter, Ms. Wanda Jackson, was the family representative for the Congressional Gold Medal who preferred obverse MJ-O-06 and reverse MJ-R-02.

After some discussion, the Committee unanimously affirmed and recommended the design preferences expressed by the family of Mary Winston Jackson, NASA’s first Black female aeronautical engineer. The Committee’s recommended designs capture these elements: obverse MJ-O-06 shows Mrs. Jackson holding an early model of the space shuttle; and reverse MJ-R-02 features a full-length portrait of Mrs. Jackson with a clipboard and pen, standing before a large wind tunnel, representing her work with air boundary layer information.

Sincerely yours,

Thomas Uram  
Chairman  
Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee