



CITIZENS COINAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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WASHINGTON, DC 20220

November 24, 2025

The Honorable Scott Bessent  
Secretary of the Treasury  
Department of the Treasury  
1500 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20220

Dear Mister Secretary:

The Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee (CCAC) held a public meeting on November 18, 2025, during which the CCAC reviewed the candidate designs for the 2027 Native American \$1 Coin Program that honors Native Americans and celebrates the important contributions made by Indian tribes and individual Native Americans to the development and history of the United States. The obverse of the coins retains the depiction of Sacagawea and her infant son, first used in 2000 on the Sacagawea Golden Dollar Coin. In 2027, the reverse will honor Dr. Susan La Flesche Picotte, who is widely acknowledged as the first Native American woman to earn a medical degree. She also provided medical care for the people she lived with on the Omaha reservation and built the first privately funded hospital on an Indian reservation.

At our public meeting, the CCAC reviewed the portfolio and following discussion scored the candidate designs with the reverse **27NA-1** receiving the highest score (21 out of 30 possible points). By a motion that passed unanimously by voice vote, the CCAC recommends this candidate design but also recommends, on advice from the tribal liaison, that the portrait of La Flesche Picotte be modified to more accurately reflect her Native American appearance.

It is an honor to serve as the Chair of the CCAC and I am proud of the CCAC's role in the production of United States coins and medals.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Peter van Alfen", written in a cursive style.

Dr. Peter van Alfen  
Chairperson  
Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee