

Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee

801 Ninth Street, NW, Washington, DC 20220



September 19, 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 the Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee (Committee) was held on Friday, September 16, 2016, at the United States Mint headquarters in Washington DC.

The Committee reviewed and discussed proposed designs for the 2018, 2019 and 2020 American Eagle Platinum Proof Program, "Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness." This new three-year series will depict an American artist's interpretation of the Preamble to the Declaration of Independence.

Artists were tasked with submitting obverse designs for all three years in order to create a harmonious expression of these principles. Artists also submitted reverse designs, which allowed the Committee to pair the most highly-rated design with any obverse set.

The obverse designs were recommended from Set 7, each of which featured Lady Liberty in various activities: teaching a small child to sow seeds in a field (2018-07), holding a torch and watching over prairies, lakes and mountains (2019-07) and harvesting the bounty of the fields with a child playing nearby (2020-07). This set of obverse designs received 21 of 24 possible votes. The obverse script - Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness - harkens back to the handwritten Declaration of Independence.

The highest ranked reverse, with 24 votes of a possible 24, was a majestic swooping eagle (rev-09).

Our Committee is honored to recommend these designs for the latest series of the American Eagle Platinum Proof Program for selection.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mary N. Lannin'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent initial 'M' and a long, sweeping tail.

Mary N. Lannin
Chair