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To award a congressional gold medal to Ruth and Billy Graham.

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A BILL

To award a congressional gold medal to Ruth and Billy
Graham.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. FINDINGS.**

4 The Congress hereby finds the following:

5 (1) Ruth and Billy Graham have made out-
6 standing and lasting contributions to morality, racial
7 equality, family, philanthropy, and religion.

8 (2) America's most respected and admired
9 evangelical leader for the past half century, Billy

1 Graham's crusades have reached 100,000,000 people
2 in person and reached over 2,000,000,000 people
3 worldwide on television.

4 (3) Billy Graham, throughout his 76 years of
5 life and his 52-year marriage to Ruth Graham, has
6 exemplified the highest ideals of teaching, counsel-
7 ing, ethics, charity, faith, and family.

8 (4) Billy Graham's daily newspaper column and
9 14 books have provided spiritual counseling and per-
10 sonal enrichment to millions of people.

11 (5) Ruth and Billy Graham have been the driv-
12 ing force to create the Ruth and Billy Graham Chil-
13 dren's Health Center at Memorial Mission Hospital
14 in Asheville, North Carolina, whose vision it is to im-
15 prove the health and well-being of children and to
16 become a new resource for ending the pain and suf-
17 fering of children.

18 **SEC. 2. CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL.**

19 (a) PRESENTATION AUTHORIZED.—The Speaker of
20 the House of Representatives and the President pro tem-
21 pore of the Senate are authorized to present, on behalf
22 of the Congress, to Billy and Ruth Graham a gold medal
23 of appropriate design, in recognition of their outstanding
24 and enduring contributions toward faith, morality, and
25 charity.

1 (b) DESIGN AND STRIKING.—For purposes of the
2 presentation referred to in subsection (a), the Secretary
3 of the Treasury shall strike a gold medal with suitable em-
4 blems, devices, and inscriptions to be determined by the
5 Secretary.

6 (c) GIFTS AND DONATIONS.—

7 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Treas-
8 ury may accept, use, and disburse gifts or donations
9 of property or money to carry out this section.

10 (2) NO APPROPRIATION AUTHORIZED.—No
11 amount is authorized to be appropriated to carry out
12 this section.

13 **SEC. 3. DUPLICATE MEDALS.**

14 The Secretary of the Treasury may strike and sell
15 duplicates in bronze of the gold medal struck pursuant
16 to section 2 under such regulations as the Secretary may
17 prescribe, at a price sufficient to cover the cost thereof,
18 including labor, materials, dies, use of machinery, and
19 overhead expenses, and the cost of the gold medal.

20 **SEC. 4. STATUS OF MEDALS.**

21 (a) NATIONAL MEDALS.—The medals struck pursu-
22 ant to this Act are national medals for purposes of chapter
23 51 of title 31, United States Code.

1 (b) NUMISMATIC ITEMS.—For purposes of section
2 5134 of title 31, United States Code, all medals struck
3 under this Act shall be considered to be numismatic items.

4 **SEC. 5. TRANSFER OF ANY PROFIT TO LIBRARY OF CON-**
5 **GRESS.**

6 The Secretary of the Treasury shall transfer an
7 amount equal to the amount by which—

8 (1) the sum of any gifts and donations received
9 by the Secretary in accordance with section 2(c)(2)
10 and any proceeds from the sale of duplicate medals
11 under section 3, exceeds

12 (2) the total amount of the costs incurred by
13 the Secretary in carrying out this Act,
14 from the Numismatic Public Enterprise Fund to the Li-
15 brary of Congress.

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