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THE WHITE HOUSE Last Day: January 4
WASHINGTON

December 30, 1974

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT
FROM: KEN COLE
SUBJECT: Enrolled Bill H.R. 17655
Commemorative Medals

Attached for your consideration is H.R. 17655, sponsored by Representative Sullivan, which extends the authorizations for striking commemorative medals for the San Francisco cable car, Jim Thorpe, and the International Exposition on Environment; and would restrict the use of gold for commemorative medals.

OMB recommends approval and provides additional background information in its enrolled bill report (Tab A).

Max Friedersdorf and Phil Areeda both recommend approval.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign H.R. 17655 (Tab B).



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

DEC 27 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Enrolled Bill H.R. 17655 - Commemorative medals
Sponsor - Rep. Sullivan (D) Missouri

Last Day for Action

January 4, 1975 - Saturday

Purpose

Extends the authorizations for striking commemorative medals for the San Francisco cable car, Jim Thorpe, and the International Exposition on Environment; and restricts the use of gold for commemorative medals.

Agency Recommendations

Office of Management and Budget

Approval

Department of the Treasury

No objection

Department of Justice

No objection

Discussion

The enrolled bill would amend three statutes to extend the periods of time for which the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to strike and deliver commemorative medals:

- The authority under Public Law 93-114 would be extended for two years (from December 31, 1974 until December 31, 1976) to strike and deliver up to 150,000 medals commemorating the one-hundredth anniversary of the cable car in San Francisco. (section 1)



- The authority under Public Law 93-132 would be extended for two years (from December 31, 1974 until December 31, 1976) to strike and deliver up to 100,000 medals commemorating Jim Thorpe. (section 2)
- The authority under Public Law 93-221 would be extended for three months (from December 31, 1974 to March 31, 1975) to strike and deliver up to 750,000 medals commemorating the International Exposition on Environment. (section 3)

The enrolled bill would also prohibit the use of gold in any national medals made for public sale under authority of any law, except commemorative Bicentennial medals authorized to be struck by Public Law 92-228, without prior approval by an act of Congress. Violators would be subject to a maximum fine of \$10,000, imprisonment of one year, or both. (section 4)

In reports to the House Banking and Currency Committee, Treasury expressed no objection to the three extensions of medals-striking authority. There was no opportunity to report or testify on the gold content prohibition, but Treasury favors it.

Walter H. Rommel

Assistant Director for
Legislative Reference

Enclosures



Department of Justice
Washington, D.C. 20530

DEC 23 1974

Honorable Roy L. Ash
Director, Office of Management
and Budget
Washington, D.C. 20503

Dear Mr. Ash:

In compliance with your request, I have examined a facsimile of the enrolled bill H.R. 17655, "To extend for two years the authorizations for the striking of medals in commemoration of the one hundredth anniversary of the cable car in San Francisco and in commemoration of Jim Thorpe, and for other purposes."

After such review, I am authorized to relate to you that the Department of Justice has no objection to Executive approval of this bill.

Sincerely,

(Signed) W. Vincent Rakestraw

W. Vincent Rakestraw
Assistant Attorney General





THE GENERAL COUNSEL OF THE TREASURY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20220

DEC 24 1974

Director, Office of Management and Budget
Executive Office of the President
Washington, D.C. 20503

Attention: Assistant Director for Legislative
Reference

Sir:

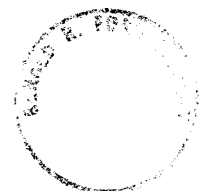
Your office has asked for the views of this Department on the enrolled enactment of H.R. 17556, "To extend for two years the authorizations for the striking of medals in commemoration of the one hundredth anniversary of the cable car in San Francisco and in commemoration of Jim Thorpe, and for other purposes."

The enrolled enactment would (1) extend until December 31, 1976, the authorizations for the striking of medals in commemoration of the one hundredth anniversary of the cable car in San Francisco and in commemoration of Jim Thorpe; (2) extend until March 31, 1975, the authorization for the striking of medals commemorating the International Exposition on Environment at Spokane, Washington; and (3) prohibit, except with respect to medals commemorating the bicentennial of the American Revolution, the use of gold in national medals made for public sale under authority of a law of the United States without the express, prior approval, by law, of the Congress.

The Department would have no objection to a recommendation that the enrolled enactment be approved by the President.

Sincerely yours,


General Counsel



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

To
J. Handrich
12-27-74

DEC 27 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

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Sponsor - Rep. Sullivan (D) Missouri

Last Day for Action
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Agency Recommendations

Office of Management and Budget

Department of the Treasury
Department of Justice

Approval
No objection
No objection

Discussion

The enrolled bill would amend three statutes to extend the periods of time for which the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to strike and deliver commemorative medals:

- The authority under Public Law 93-114 would be extended for two years (from December 31, 1974 until December 31, 1976) to strike and deliver up to 150,000 medals commemorating the one-hundredth anniversary of the cable car in San Francisco. (section 1)



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

MEMORANDUM FOR: WARREN HENDRIKS
FROM: *Max L. Friedersdorf* MAX L. FRIEDERSDORF
SUBJECT: Action Memorandum - Log No. 866
Enrolled Bill H. R. 17655

The Office of Legislative Affairs concurs in the attached proposal and has no additional recommendations.

Attachment

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Washington, D.C. 20530

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After such review, I am authorized to relate to you that the Department of Justice has no objection to Executive approval of this bill.

Sincerely,



W. Vincent Rakestraw
Assistant Attorney General

THE WHITE HOUSE

ACTION MEMORANDUM

WASHINGTON

LOG NO.: 866

Date: December 27, 1974

Time: 7:00 p.m.

FOR ACTION: Geoff Shepard *JS*
Max Friedersdorf *MF* cc (for information): Warren Hendriks
Phil Areeda *PA* Jerry Jones

FROM THE STAFF SECRETARY

DUE: Date: Monday, December 30

Time: 1:00 pm

SUBJECT:

Enrolled Bill H.R. 17655 - Commemorative medals

ACTION REQUESTED:

- For Necessary Action
- For Your Recommendations
- Prepare Agenda and Brief
- Draft Reply
- For Your Comments
- Draft Remarks

REMARKS:

Please return to Judy Johnston, Ground Floor West Wing

PLEASE ATTACH THIS COPY TO MATERIAL SUBMITTED.

If you have any questions or if you anticipate a delay in submitting the required material, please telephone the Staff Secretary immediately.

K. R. COLE, JR.
For the President

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Approve
GC.S.

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Warren K. Hendriks
For the President

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*No objection
P. Areeda*

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K. R. COLE, JR.
For the Staff Secretary

Ninety-third Congress of the United States of America

AT THE SECOND SESSION

*Begun and held at the City of Washington on Monday, the twenty-first day of January,
one thousand nine hundred and seventy-four*

An Act

To extend for two years the authorizations for the striking of medals in commemoration of the one hundredth anniversary of the cable car in San Francisco and in commemoration of Jim Thorpe, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the second sentence of the first section of the Act entitled, "An Act to authorize the striking of medals in commemoration of the one hundredth anniversary of the cable car in San Francisco" (Public Law 93-114), approved October 1, 1973, is amended by striking out "December 31, 1974" and inserting in lieu thereof "December 31, 1976".

SEC. 2. Section 4 of the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the striking of medals in commemoration of Jim Thorpe" (Public Law 93-132), approved October 19, 1973, is amended by striking out "December 31, 1974" and inserting in lieu thereof "December 31, 1976".

SEC. 3. The last sentence of the first section of the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the striking of medals commemorating the International Exposition on Environment at Spokane, Washington, in 1974", approved December 29, 1973 (Public Law 93-221), is amended by striking out "December 31, 1974" and inserting in lieu thereof "March 31, 1975".

SEC. 4. (a) Except with respect to medals in commemoration of the bicentennial of the American Revolution authorized to be struck by Public Law 92-228 (approved February 15, 1972), no national medals made for public sale under authority of any law of the United States shall contain any gold without the express, prior approval, by law, of the Congress of the United States.

(b) Any person who violates this section shall be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both.

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

*Vice President of the United States and
President of the Senate.*

December 24, 1974

Dear Mr. Director:

The following bills were received at the White House on December 24th:

S.J. Res. 40 ✓	S. 3481 ✓	H.R. 8958 ✓	H.R. 14600 ✓
S.J. Res. 133 ✓	S. 3548 ✓	H.R. 8981 ✓	H.R. 14689 ✓
S.J. Res. 262 ✓	S. 3934 ✓	H.R. 9182 ✓	H.R. 14718 ✓
✓S. 251 ✓	✓S. 3943 ✓	H.R. 9199 ✓	✓H.R. 15173 ✓
S. 356 ✓	S. 3976 ✓	H.R. 9588 ✓	✓H.R. 15223 ✓
S. 521 ✓	S. 4073 ✓	H.R. 9654 ✓	✓H.R. 15229 ✓
S. 544 ✓	✓S. 4206 ✓	H.R. 10212 ✓	✓H.R. 15322 ✓
S. 663 ✓	H.J. Res. 1178 ✓	✓H.R. 10701 ✓	H.R. 15977 ✓
✓S. 754 ✓	✓H.J. Res. 1180 ✓	✓H.R. 10710 ✓	✓H.R. 16045 ✓
S. 1017 ✓	✓H.R. 421 ✓	H.R. 10827 ✓	✓H.R. 16215 ✓
S. 1083 ✓	H.R. 1715 ✓	✓H.R. 11144 ✓	H.R. 16596 ✓
✓S. 1296 ✓	H.R. 1820 ✓	✓H.R. 11273 ✓	✓H.R. 16925 ✓
S. 1418 ✓	H.R. 2208 ✓	✓H.R. 11796 ✓	✓H.R. 17010 ✓
S. 2149 ✓	✓H.R. 2933 ✓	✓H.R. 11802 ✓	H.R. 17045 ✓
S. 2446 ✓	H.R. 3203 ✓	✓H.R. 11847 ✓	✓H.R. 17085 ✓
S. 2807 ✓	H.R. 3339 ✓	✓H.R. 11897 ✓	✓H.R. 17468 ✓
S. 2854 ✓	H.R. 5264 ✓	✓H.R. 12044 ✓	✓H.R. 17558 ✓
S. 2888 ✓	H.R. 5463 ✓	✓H.R. 12113 ✓	H.R. 17597 ✓
S. 2994 ✓	✓H.R. 5773 ✓	✓H.R. 12427 ✓	✓H.R. 17628 ✓
✓S. 3022 ✓	H.R. 7599 ✓	✓H.R. 12884 ✓	✓H.R. 17655 ✓
S. 3289 ✓	H.R. 7684 ✓	✓H.R. 13022 ✓	
S. 3358 ✓	H.R. 7767 ✓	✓H.R. 13296 ✓	
S. 3359 ✓	H.R. 8214 ✓	✓H.R. 13869 ✓	
S. 3394 ✓	H.R. 8322 ✓	H.R. 14449 ✓	
✓S. 3433 ✓	H.R. 8591 ✓	✓H.R. 14461 ✓	

Please let the President have reports and recommendations as to the approval of these bills as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Robert D. Linder
Chief Executive Clerk

The Honorable Roy L. Ash
Director
Office of Management and Budget
Washington, D. C.