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NOTICE TO THE PRESS

The President has signed S.J. Res. 123 - Portrait and bust of former Chief Justice Earl Warren which authorizes the procurement of a portrait and a marble bust of former Chief Justice Warren for the Supreme Court Building.

Each Chief Justice of the Supreme Court is represented in the Supreme Court Building by a portrait. Chief Justices from Jay to Taft are represented by a marble bust in the Capitol Building and Chief Justices Taft, Hughes, Stone, and Vinson are each represented by a marble bust in the main hall of the Court. This bill continues a tradition of nearly 200 years.

This bill authorizes the Marshal of the Court to procure an oil portrait and a marble bust of former Chief Justice Warren. The Marshal will be subject to the direction and approval of the Chief Justice.

The bill further authorizes appropriation of \$25,000 for this purpose. Procurement of a portrait and bust of former Chief Justice Vinson in 1957 cost \$5,000 each. The Architect of the Capitol and court officials estimate that a similar portrait and bust costs \$10,000 at present.

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