



CITIZENS COINAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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June 24, 2024

The Honorable Janet Yellen  
Secretary of the Treasury  
Department of the Treasury  
1500 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20220

Dear Madam Secretary:

The Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee (CCAC) held a public meeting on June 18, 2024, during which they reviewed the candidate designs for the 2026 Native American \$1 Coin Program. Every year since 2009, in accordance with *Public Law 110-82* (codified at 31 U.S.C. § 5112 (r)), the Native American \$1 Coin Act, the United States Mint has annually minted and issued golden-hued \$1 coins that honor Native Americans and celebrate the important contributions made by Indian tribes and individual Native Americans to the development of the United States and the 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 2026, the reverse will commemorate the Oneidas at Valley Forge.

As its public meeting on June 18, the CCAC reviewed design candidates that had been modified on recommendations by the CCAC at its April 16, 2024 meeting when earlier versions of the design candidates were reviewed and feedback was provided, but none of the designs were selected for recommendation. At the June 18, 2024 meeting, reverse design candidate **26NA-03**, the preference of the liaisons, received the highest score, 18 out of a possible 27 points. This depiction of Polly Cooper and George Washington also is the most suitable for the broader coin themes for 2026 celebrating the U.S. Semiquincentennial authorized under *Public Law 116-330*, the Circulating Collectible Coin Redesign Act of 2020. On a motion that passed unanimously, the CCAC also recommends that the inscription "Polly Cooper" be added and that the inscription "\$1" be repositioned as both appear on 26NA-03B.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Peter van Alfen". The signature is stylized and cursive.

Peter van Alfen, PhD, CCAC Chair