



CITIZENS COINAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

801 9TH STREET, NW
WASHINGTON, DC 20220

September 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 September 24, 2024, during which we reviewed the candidate designs for the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe Code Talkers Congressional Gold Medal. This will be the 32nd medal awarded under *Public Law 110-420, Code Talkers Recognition Act of 2008* to honor a Native American code talker tribe. A gold medal will be struck that is given to the tribe and silver medals to each of the code talkers of that tribe (or family member) as well as bronze duplicates that will be made available for purchase by the general public.

At our public meeting, the CCAC reviewed the one obverse and one candidate designs for the medal and heard from Cody Russell, Vice Chairman of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe and Dr. William Meadows, Professor of Anthropology and Native American Studies in the Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Gerontology at Missouri State University.

By a motion that passed unanimously by voice vote, the CCAC recommends both the obverse and reverse candidate designs but that the font be standardized on the obverse and reverse using the font from the reverse design for both. A friendly amendment was added to the motion to also raise the placement of the delimiter on the reverse.

It is an honor to serve as the Chair of the CCAC and I am proud of the CCAC's role in the production of 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