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109TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. _____

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. HASTERT introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

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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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Paul Harvey Congres-
5 sional Gold Medal Act”

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 The Congress finds as follows:



1 (1) Born Paul Harvey Aurandt on September
2 4, 1918, in Tulsa, Oklahoma, Paul Harvey made
3 radio sets as a boy and literally grew up in the news-
4 room, working at KVOO/Tulsa while in high school,
5 where he helped clean up and eventually was allowed
6 to fill in on the air, reading commercials and news.

7 (2) A gifted newscaster, commentator, reporter,
8 and author, Paul Harvey is a storyteller beloved
9 across the nation for an ear finely-tuned to what
10 makes America laugh, makes us cry, and what
11 makes us rightfully proud of our great Nation.

12 (3) Every week, 18,000,000 people “stand by”
13 for Paul Harvey on more than 1200 commercial
14 radio stations, as well as 400 stations of the Armed
15 Forces Radio Service around the world.

16 (4) A beacon of freedom, hope, and encourage-
17 ment for 3 generations of Americans, Paul Harvey’s
18 career at ABC Radio began 61 years ago in 1944.

19 (5) First broadcast in 1951, “Paul Harvey
20 News and Comment” is the longest running radio
21 program in history and the most widely heard radio
22 program in the world.

23 (6) Whereas the very best radio is local, Paul
24 Harvey has made America his hometown and his
25 broadcasts have become historical snapshots—Amer-



1 ica's diary of what is happening across the nation,
2 in big cities or in small hamlets.

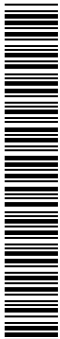
3 (7) Serving in the Army Air Corps during
4 World War II, Paul Harvey has demonstrated a con-
5 tinuing commitment and gratitude to the men and
6 women in our Armed Forces.

7 (8) At the center of the largest 1-man news
8 network, Paul Harvey continues to exhibit an admi-
9 rable work ethic by writing and recording his show
10 6 days a week from studios in Chicago.

11 (9) In constant demand as a lecturer at conven-
12 tions and organization meetings all over the country,
13 Paul Harvey has authored numerous books and in-
14 spirational records, and his nationally syndicated
15 newspaper columns appear 3 times each week.

16 (10) Illustrating the great extent to which Paul
17 Harvey has captured the American voice, his broad-
18 casts and newspaper columns have been reprinted in
19 the Congressional Record more than those of any
20 other commentator.

21 (11) Honored by his peers, Paul Harvey has
22 been elected to the National Association of Broad-
23 casters' Radio Hall of Fame and the Oklahoma As-
24 sociation of Broadcasters' Hall of Fame.



1 (12) In recognition of his accomplishments,
2 Paul Harvey has been the recipient of 11 honorary
3 degrees and awards that include 11 Freedom Foun-
4 dation Awards, 5 Marconi Awards from the National
5 Association of Broadcasters, the Horatio Alger
6 Award, Commentator of the Year, American of the
7 Year, Person of the Year, Father of the Year, and
8 the Gallup Poll list of America's Most Admired Men.

9 **SEC. 3. CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL.**

10 (a) PRESENTATION AUTHORIZED.—The Speaker of
11 the House of Representatives and the President pro tem-
12 pore of the Senate shall make appropriate arrangements
13 for the presentation, on behalf of the Congress, of a gold
14 medal of appropriate design to Paul Harvey or his per-
15 sonal representative in recognition of his many contribu-
16 tions to the Nation.

17 (b) DESIGN AND STRIKING.—For purposes of the
18 presentation referred to in subsection (a), the Secretary
19 of the Treasury (hereafter in this Act referred to as the
20 “Secretary”) shall strike a gold medal with suitable em-
21 blems, devices, and inscriptions, to be determined by the
22 Secretary.

23 **SEC. 4. DUPLICATE MEDALS.**

24 The Secretary may strike and sell duplicates in
25 bronze of the gold medal struck pursuant to section 3



1 under such regulations as the Secretary may prescribe, at
2 a price sufficient to cover the cost thereof, including labor,
3 materials, dies, use of machinery, and overhead expenses,
4 and the cost of the gold medal.

5 **SEC. 5. STATUS OF MEDALS.**

6 (a) NATIONAL MEDALS.—The medals struck pursu-
7 ant to this Act are national medals for purposes of chapter
8 51 of title 31, United States Code.

9 (b) NUMISMATIC ITEMS.—For purposes of section
10 5134 of title 31, United States Code, all medals struck
11 under this Act shall be considered to be numismatic items.

12 **SEC. 6. AUTHORITY TO USE FUND AMOUNTS; PROCEEDS OF**
13 **SALE.**

14 (a) AUTHORITY TO USE FUND AMOUNTS.—There is
15 authorized to be charged against the United States Mint
16 Public Enterprise Fund, such amounts as may be nec-
17 essary to pay for the costs of the medals struck pursuant
18 to this Act.

19 (b) PROCEEDS OF SALE.—Amounts received from the
20 sale of duplicate bronze medals authorized under section
21 4 shall be deposited into the United States Mint Public
22 Enterprise Fund.

