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118TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

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To award a Congressional Gold Medal to Daniel Penny, who protected women and children of the city of New York, New York, from violence on May 1, 2023.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. CRANE 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 “Daniel Penny Congres-
5 sional Gold Medal Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 The Congress finds as follows:

1 (1) Throughout President Biden’s term as
2 President, local governments across various cities
3 and States failed to adequately protect residents and
4 their property from violent criminals.

5 (2) On May 1, 2023, an individual began ag-
6 gressively threatening Daniel Penny and other pas-
7 sengers on a New York City subway.

8 (3) Daniel Penny, with others, acted to save
9 New York City subway riders from threatening be-
10 havior by restraining a criminal – who had 42 prior
11 arrests and an active warrant – until the police
12 came.

13 (4) The courageous actions taken in response to
14 the threat to his community by Daniel Penny, a
15 decorated U.S. Marine Corps veteran, went beyond
16 the civilian call of duty.

17 **SEC. 3. SENSE OF CONGRESS.**

18 It is the sense of the Congress that Daniel Penny,
19 with integrity and honor that is characteristic of who he
20 is and of his honorable service in the United States Marine
21 Corps, stepped in to protect women and children from an
22 individual who was threatening to kill innocent bystanders,
23 and he is a hero.

1 **SEC. 4. CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL.**

2 (a) PRESENTATION AUTHORIZED.—The Speaker of
3 the House of Representatives and the President pro tem-
4 pore of the Senate shall make appropriate arrangements
5 for the posthumous presentation, on behalf of the Con-
6 gress, of a gold medal of appropriate design to Daniel
7 Penny, who protected women and children of the city of
8 New York, New York, from violence on May 1, 2023.

9 (b) DESIGN AND STRIKING.—For purposes of the
10 presentation referred to in subsection (a), the Secretary
11 of the Treasury (referred to in this Act as the “Sec-
12 retary”) shall strike a gold medal with suitable emblems,
13 devices, and inscriptions, to be determined by the Sec-
14 retary.

15 (c) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of the Con-
16 gress that the United States Mint should expedite produc-
17 tion of the gold medal under this Act, so that the heroic
18 and protective actions of Daniel Penny on May 1, 2023,
19 in New York can be recognized and honored in a timely
20 manner.

21 **SEC. 5. DUPLICATE MEDALS.**

22 The Secretary may strike and sell duplicates in
23 bronze of the gold medal struck pursuant to section 4, at
24 a price sufficient to cover the cost thereof, including labor,
25 materials, dies, use of machinery, and overhead expenses.

1 **SEC. 6. STATUS OF MEDALS.**

2 (a) NATIONAL MEDALS.—The medals struck pursu-
3 ant to this Act are national medals for purposes of chapter
4 51 of title 31, United States Code.

5 (b) NUMISMATIC ITEMS.—For purposes of sections
6 5134 and 5136 of title 31, United States Code, all medals
7 struck under this Act shall be considered to be numismatic
8 items.

9 **SEC. 7. AUTHORITY TO USE FUND AMOUNTS; PROCEEDS OF**
10 **SALE.**

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

16 (b) PROCEEDS OF SALE.—Amounts received from the
17 sale of duplicate bronze medals authorized under section
18 5 shall be deposited into the United States Mint Public
19 Enterprise Fund.