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To award four congressional gold medals to the United States Capitol Police and those who protected the U.S. Capitol on January 6, 2021.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. BLUNT) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

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. FINDINGS.**

4 The Congress finds the following:

5 (1) Every day, the United States Capitol Police
6 (“Capitol Police”) protects the U.S. Capitol, Mem-
7 bers of Congress, congressional staff and institu-
8 tional staff, journalists, and the visiting public.

1 (2) On January 6, 2021, a mob of insurrection-
2 ists forced its way into the U.S. Capitol building and
3 congressional office buildings and engaged in acts of
4 vandalism, looting, and violently attacked Capitol
5 Police officers.

6 (3) The sacrifice of heroes including Capitol Po-
7 lice Officers Brian Sicknick and Howard
8 Liebengood, Metropolitan Police Department Officer
9 Jeffrey Smith, and those who sustained injuries, and
10 the courage of Capitol Police Officer Eugene Good-
11 man, exemplify the patriotism and the commitment
12 of Capitol Police officers, and those of other law en-
13 forcement agencies, to risk their lives in service of
14 our country.

15 (4) Up to seven Americans died following this
16 violent attack, and more than 140 law enforcement
17 officers suffered physical injuries, including 15 offi-
18 cers who were hospitalized.

19 (5) The desecration of the U.S. Capitol, which
20 is the temple of our American Democracy, and the
21 violence targeting Congress are horrors that will for-
22 ever stain our Nation's history.

23 (6) On April 2, 2021 Officer William "Billy"
24 Evans was killed while protecting the North Barri-
25 cade of the Capitol. Officer Evans was a distin-

1 guished member of the First Responders Unit and
2 an eighteen-year veteran of the United States Cap-
3 itol Police. Also injured in that assault was Officer
4 Kenneth Shaver. Officer Shaver is a fifteen-year vet-
5 eran of the United States Capitol Police.

6 **SEC. 2. CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDALS.**

7 (a) PRESENTATION AUTHORIZATION.—The Speaker
8 of the House of Representatives and the President pro
9 tempore of the Senate shall make appropriate arrange-
10 ments for the presentation, on behalf of the Congress, of
11 four gold medals of appropriate design to the United
12 States Capitol Police and those who protected the U.S.
13 Capitol on January 6, 2021.

14 (b) DESIGN AND STRIKING.—For the purposes of the
15 award referred to in subsection (a), the Secretary of the
16 Treasury (hereafter in this Act referred to as the “Sec-
17 retary”) shall strike gold medals with suitable emblems,
18 devices, and inscriptions, to be determined by the Sec-
19 retary.

20 (c) DISPOSITION OF MEDALS.—Following the award
21 of the gold medals under subsection (a):

22 (1) USCP HEADQUARTERS.—One gold medal
23 shall be given to the United States Capitol Police, so
24 that the medal may be displayed at the headquarters

1 of the United States Capitol Police and made avail-
2 able for research, as appropriate.

3 (2) DC METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT
4 HEADQUARTERS.—One gold medal shall be given to
5 the Metropolitan Police Department of the District
6 of Columbia, so that the medal may be displayed at
7 the headquarters of the Metropolitan Police Depart-
8 ment and made available for research, as appro-
9 priate.

10 (3) SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION.—

11 (A) IN GENERAL.—One gold medal shall
12 be given to the Smithsonian Institution, where
13 it shall be available for display as appropriate
14 and available for research.

15 (B) PLAQUE.—In displaying the gold
16 medal given under subparagraph (A), the
17 Smithsonian Institution shall display the medal
18 with a plaque that lists all of the law enforce-
19 ment agencies that participated in protecting
20 the U.S. Capitol on January 6, 2021.

21 (C) SENSE OF THE CONGRESS.—It is the
22 sense of the Congress that the Smithsonian In-
23 stitution should make the gold medal given
24 under subparagraph (A) available for display
25 elsewhere, particularly at appropriate locations

1 associated with the protection of the U.S. Cap-
2 itol on January 6, 2021.

3 (4) UNITED STATES CAPITOL.—

4 (A) IN GENERAL.—One gold medal shall
5 be given to the Architect of the Capitol, for dis-
6 play in a prominent location in the United
7 States Capitol as appropriate and available for
8 research.

9 (B) PLAQUE.—In displaying the gold
10 medal given under subparagraph (A), the Ar-
11 chitect of the Capitol shall display the medal
12 with a plaque that lists all of the law enforce-
13 ment agencies that participated in protecting
14 the United States Capitol on January 6, 2021.

15 **SEC. 3. DUPLICATE MEDALS.**

16 The Secretary may strike and sell duplicates in
17 bronze of the gold medals struck pursuant to section 2
18 under such regulations as the Secretary may prescribe, at
19 a price sufficient to cover the cost thereof, including labor,
20 materials, dies, use of machinery, and overhead expenses.

21 **SEC. 4. SENSE OF CONGRESS.**

22 It is the sense of the Congress that the United States
23 Mint should expedite production of the gold medals and
24 duplicate medals under this Act, so that the sacrifices of
25 fallen officers and their families, and the contributions of

1 other law enforcement agencies who answered the call of
2 duty on January 6, 2021, can be recognized and honored
3 in a timely manner.

4 **SEC. 5. NATIONAL MEDALS.**

5 Medals struck pursuant to this Act are national med-
6 als for the purposes of chapter 51 of title 31, United
7 States Code.

8 **SEC. 6. DETERMINATION OF BUDGETARY EFFECTS.**

9 The budgetary effects of this Act, for the purpose of
10 complying with the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010,
11 shall be determined by reference to the latest statement
12 titled “Budgetary Effects of PAYGO Legislation” for this
13 Act, submitted for printing in the Congressional Record
14 by the Chairman of the House Budget Committee, pro-
15 vided that such statement has been submitted prior to the
16 vote on passage.

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