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H. R. 4497

To award a congressional gold medal to Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 25, 1994

Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. GINGRICH, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, and Mr. LEWIS of California) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Finance 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 hereby finds the following:

5 (1) Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson, the
6 leader of the Lubavitch movement for 40 years, has
7 made outstanding and lasting contributions toward
8 improvements in world education, morality, and acts
9 of charity.

1 (2) Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson, as a
2 refugee first from Stalinist Russia and then from
3 Nazi Germany, has made the headquarters of the
4 Chabad-Lubavitch movement in New York City a
5 center of over 2,000 educational, social, and rehabili-
6 tative institutions touching millions of people from
7 all walks of life in every corner of the globe.

8 (3) Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson,
9 throughout his 92 years of life, has exemplified the
10 highest ideals of scholarship, teaching, ethics, and
11 charity.

12 (4) Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson has
13 interpreted with keen insight the miraculous events
14 of our time and has inspired people to a renewal of
15 individual values of spirituality, cooperation, and
16 love of learning.

17 (5) Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson's ex-
18 traordinary life and work have long been recognized
19 by the Congress through the enactment of joint reso-
20 lutions designating his birthday in each of the last
21 16 years as "Education and Sharing Day, U.S.A.".

22 **SEC. 2. CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL.**

23 (a) PRESENTATION AUTHORIZED.—The President is
24 authorized to present, on behalf of the Congress, to the
25 Lubavitcher rebbe, Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson,

1 a gold medal of appropriate design, in recognition of his
2 outstanding and enduring contributions toward world edu-
3 cation, morality, and acts of charity.

4 (b) DESIGN AND STRIKING.—For purposes of the
5 presentation referred to in subsection (a), the Secretary
6 of the Treasury shall strike a gold medal with suitable em-
7 blems, devices, and inscriptions reflecting the theme of
8 education to be determined by the Secretary.

9 (c) GIFTS OR DONATIONS.—

10 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Treas-
11 ury shall accept, use, and disburse gifts or donations
12 of property or money to carry out this section.

13 (2) NO APPROPRIATION AUTHORIZED.—No
14 amount is authorized to be appropriated to carry out
15 this section.

16 **SEC. 3. DUPLICATE MEDALS.**

17 The Secretary of the Treasury may strike and sell
18 duplicates in bronze of the gold medal struck pursuant
19 to section 1 under such regulations as the Secretary may
20 prescribe, at a price sufficient to cover the cost thereof,
21 including labor, materials, dies, use of machinery, and
22 overhead expenses, and the cost of the gold medal.

1 **SEC. 4. NATIONAL MEDALS.**

2 The medals struck pursuant to this Act are national
3 medals for purposes of chapter 51 of title 31, United
4 States Code.

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