

**Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee**  
801 Ninth Street, NW, Washington, DC 20220



April 22, 2013

The Honorable Jack Lew  
Secretary of the Treasury  
Department of the Treasury  
1500 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, D.C. 20220

Dear Secretary Lew:

A public meeting of the Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee (Committee) was held on Friday, April 19, 2013, at United States Mint Headquarters in Washington, DC. The Committee reviewed proposed reverse designs for the 2013 First Spouse Gold Coin and Medal Program honoring Edith Wilson.

Reverse design EdW-R-05 garnered 26 of a possible 27 points and, therefore, is submitted with a strong recommendation by the Committee. The design provides an illustration of Edith Wilson's hand on President Wilson's hand, which grips a cane. The design symbolically conveys Mrs. Wilson's important and compassionate role in assisting President Wilson in the execution of his duties following his stroke. Committee members remarked that the design provides a good balance of design elements and negative space and will produce a very attractive coin.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gary B. Marks'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name 'Gary' being particularly prominent and stylized.

Gary B. Marks  
Chair