Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee

801 Ninth Street, NW, Washington, DC 20220



March 15, 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 Monday, March 11, 2013, at United States Mint Headquarters in Washington, DC. The Committee reviewed proposed obverse and reverse designs for the Raoul Wallenberg Congressional Gold Medal Program.

For the medal's obverse design, the Committee recommended design Obverse-02. The design, which garnered 16 of the 24 possible points through the Committee's scoring process, depicts an image of Raoul Wallenberg with barbed wire in the background symbolizing his work to save Hungarian Jews from Nazi death camps. The Committee recommended the words "Act of Congress 2012" be added to the design as well as the addition of a dash and question mark after Mr. Wallenberg's birth date of 1912 to convey the unknown end of his life. Finally the Committee requested that Mr. Wallenberg's image be improved to more closely resemble his image as portrayed in Obverse-07.

The Committee recommended reverse design Reverse-06 by collectively assigning 16 of the 24 possible points available through the Committee's scoring process. The design is rendered from Mr. Wallenberg's view as he extends a Schutz-Pass to a crowd of Jews who are about to be loaded onto a train bound for a Nazi concentration camp.

Sincerely,

Gary B. Marks

Chair