

In the Senate of the United States,

September 8, 2025.

Resolved, That the bill from the House of Representatives (H.R. 452) entitled “An Act to award 3 Congressional Gold Medals to the members of the 1980 U.S. Olympic Men’s Ice Hockey Team, in recognition of their extraordinary achievement at the 1980 Winter Olympics where, being comprised of amateur collegiate players, they defeated the dominant Soviet hockey team in the historic ‘Miracle on Ice’, revitalizing American morale at the height of the Cold War, inspiring generations and transforming the sport of hockey in the United States.”, do pass with the following

AMENDMENT:

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

1 ***SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.***

2 *This Act may be cited as the “Miracle on Ice Congressional Gold Medal Act”.*

4 ***SEC. 2. FINDINGS.***

5 *Congress finds the following:*

1 (1) *The United States Olympic Men’s Ice Hockey*
 2 *Team competed at the 1980 Winter Olympics, offi-*
 3 *cially the XIII Olympic Winter Games and known as*
 4 *the 1980 Lake Placid games, from February 13 to 24,*
 5 *1980, in Lake Placid, New York.*

6 (2) *Team USA, comprised of collegiate players,*
 7 *defeated the defending Olympic champion the Soviet*
 8 *Union 4–3 on February 22, 1980, in the final round*
 9 *of the 1980 Winter Olympics men’s ice hockey tour-*
 10 *namement.*

11 (3) *The 1980 United States Olympic Men’s Ice*
 12 *Hockey Team roster included—*

13 (A) *Bill Baker (Grand Rapids, Minnesota);*

14 (B) *Neal Broten (Roseau, Minnesota);*

15 (C) *Dave Christian (Warroad, Minnesota);*

16 (D) *Steve Christoff (Richfield, Minnesota);*

17 (E) *Jim Craig (North Easton, Massachu-*
 18 *setts);*

19 (F) *Mike Eruzione (Winthrop, Massachu-*
 20 *setts);*

21 (G) *John Harrington (Virginia, Min-*
 22 *nesota);*

23 (H) *Steve Janaszak (Saint Paul, Min-*
 24 *nesota);*

25 (I) *Mark Johnson (Madison, Wisconsin);*

1 (J) Rob McClanahan (Saint Paul, Min-
2 nesota);

3 (K) Ken Morrow (Flint, Michigan);

4 (L) Jack O’Callahan (Charlestown, Massa-
5 chusetts);

6 (M) Mark Pavelich (Eveleth, Minnesota);

7 (N) Mike Ramsey (Minneapolis, Min-
8 nesota);

9 (O) Buzz Schneider (Grand Rapids, Min-
10 nesota);

11 (P) Dave Silk (Scituate, Massachusetts);

12 (Q) Eric Stobel (Rochester, Minnesota);

13 (R) Bob Suter (Madison, Wisconsin);

14 (S) Mark Wells (St. Clair Shores, Michi-
15 gan); and

16 (T) Phil Verchota (Duluth, Minnesota).

17 (4) The “Miracle on Ice” United States and So-
18 viet Union final round game aired on tape delay on
19 Feb 22, 1980, from Lake Placid and drew 34,200,000
20 average viewers. The match is remembered as a “mir-
21 acle” as collegiate ice hockey players defied expecta-
22 tions in defeating a Soviet team that won 4 consec-
23 utive gold medals dating back to 1964.

1 (5) *Team USA defeated Finland 4–2 in its final*
 2 *game to win the gold medal, its first gold medal since*
 3 *1960 in men’s ice hockey.*

4 (6) *Herb Brooks, the last player cut from the*
 5 *1960 United States Olympic Men’s Ice Hockey Team*
 6 *that won gold at Squaw Valley, guided the 1980 team*
 7 *to its historic gold medal. Known as a motivator,*
 8 *Brooks molded a team built around hard work, belief*
 9 *in oneself, and belief in teammates. He reminded his*
 10 *team when they played the Soviets, “you were born*
 11 *to be hockey players, everyone one of you . . . and*
 12 *you were meant to be here”.*

13 (7) *The tournament occurred at a time when the*
 14 *United States was struggling with rampant stagfla-*
 15 *tion, high gas prices, hostages held in Iran, and in-*
 16 *creased tensions with the Soviet Union whose inva-*
 17 *sion of Afghanistan led to the boycott of the 1980*
 18 *Summer Olympics.*

19 (8) *The Miracle on Ice was a turning point for*
 20 *ice hockey in the United States. The game was named*
 21 *the greatest sports moment of the 20th century by*
 22 *Sports Illustrated.*

23 (9) *The historic win brought ice hockey to the*
 24 *front-page of newspapers everywhere, and forever*
 25 *opened the door to the National Hockey League for*

1 *players born in the United States. The impact of the*
2 *event was far-reaching and is still being felt today.*

3 *(10) Since 1980, interest in the United States in*
4 *the sport of ice hockey has increased exponentially.*
5 *Registrations with USA Hockey have increased by*
6 *nearly 400 percent since 1980 from 136,000 to over*
7 *564,000, and the number of National Hockey League*
8 *players from the United States has increased from 72*
9 *in 1980 to 245 in 2024.*

10 **SEC. 3. CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDALS.**

11 *(a) AWARD AUTHORIZED.—The Speaker of the House*
12 *of Representatives and the President pro tempore of the*
13 *Senate shall make appropriate arrangements for the award,*
14 *on behalf of Congress, of 3 gold medals of appropriate de-*
15 *sign to the members of the 1980 United States Olympic*
16 *Men’s Ice Hockey Team, in recognition of their extraor-*
17 *dinary achievement at the XIII Olympic Winter Games*
18 *where, being comprised of amateur collegiate players, they*
19 *defeated the dominant Soviet hockey team in the historic*
20 *“Miracle on Ice”, revitalizing morale in the United States*
21 *at the height of the Cold War, inspiring generations, and*
22 *transforming the sport of ice hockey in the United States.*

23 *(b) DESIGN AND STRIKING.—For the purposes of the*
24 *award referred to in subsection (a), the Secretary of the*
25 *Treasury (referred to in this Act as the “Secretary”) shall*

1 *strike gold medals with suitable emblems, devices, and in-*
 2 *scriptions to be determined by the Secretary.*

3 (c) *DISPOSITION OF MEDALS.*—*Following the award*
 4 *of the gold medals under subsection (a)—*

5 (1) *one gold medal shall be given to the Lake*
 6 *Placid Olympic Center in Lake Placid, New York,*
 7 *where it shall be displayed and made available for re-*
 8 *search, as appropriate;*

9 (2) *one gold medal shall be given to the United*
 10 *States Hockey Hall of Fame Museum in Eveleth,*
 11 *Minnesota, where it shall be displayed and made*
 12 *available for research, as appropriate; and*

13 (3) *one gold medal shall be given to the United*
 14 *States Olympic & Paralympic Museum in Colorado*
 15 *Springs, Colorado, where it shall be displayed and*
 16 *made available for research, as appropriate.*

17 **SEC. 4. DUPLICATE MEDALS.**

18 *The Secretary may strike and sell duplicates in bronze*
 19 *of the gold medals struck under section 3, at a price suffi-*
 20 *cient to cover the costs thereof, including labor, materials,*
 21 *dies, use of machinery, and overhead expenses.*

22 **SEC. 5. STATUS OF MEDALS.**

23 (a) *NATIONAL MEDALS.*—*Medals struck under this Act*
 24 *are national medals for purposes of chapter 51 of title 31,*
 25 *United States Code.*

1 (b) *NUMISMATIC ITEMS.*—*For purposes of sections*
 2 *5134 and 5136 of title 31, United States Code, all medals*
 3 *struck under this Act shall be considered to be numismatic*
 4 *items.*

5 **SEC. 6. AUTHORITY TO USE FUND AMOUNTS; PROCEEDS OF**
 6 **SALE.**

7 (a) *AUTHORITY TO USE FUND AMOUNTS.*—*There is*
 8 *authorized to be charged against the United States Mint*
 9 *Public Enterprise Fund such amounts as may be necessary*
 10 *to pay for the costs of the medals struck under this Act.*

11 (b) *PROCEEDS OF SALE.*—*Amounts received from the*
 12 *sale of duplicate bronze medals authorized under section 4*
 13 *shall be deposited into the United States Mint Public Enter-*
 14 *prise Fund.*

Attest:

Secretary.

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