

AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT

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In subtitle B of title XVII, add at the end the following:

1 **SEC. 17__ . WELLES REMY CROWTHER CONGRESSIONAL**
2 **GOLD MEDAL.**

3 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

4 (1) Welles Remy Crowther grew up in Upper
5 Nyack, New York, where he served his community
6 as a volunteer firefighter.

7 (2) After graduating from Boston College, he
8 returned to New York to begin working as an equi-
9 ties trader at the World Trade Center.

10 (3) The events of September 11, 2001, have
11 forever changed our Nation.

12 (4) In New York City, in the skies over Penn-
13 sylvania, at the Pentagon and in surrounding areas
14 everyday Americans responded to the unprecedented
15 tragedy around them with extraordinary acts of her-
16 oism and sacrifice.

17 (5) When Flight 175 hit the World Trade Cen-
18 ter’s South Tower on the morning of September 11,

1 Welles acted with remarkable calm and compassion
2 that was starkly remembered by all those he encoun-
3 tered that morning.

4 (6) Welles found other survivors on the 78th
5 floor Sky Lobby and helped lead them to safety, car-
6 rying an injured woman down the stairs on his back.
7 Donning his red bandanna to help with the smoke,
8 he repeatedly returned to the Sky Lobby to help res-
9 cue others.

10 (7) When Welles arrived at ground level, he
11 stayed to join firefighters in attempting to fight
12 fires, administer first aid, and return to save others,
13 until his eventual death when the tower collapsed.

14 (8) Through survivors accounts of a “Man in
15 the Red Bandanna”, Welles mother, Alison, began to
16 piece together what had happened and identified him
17 with those he had aided.

18 (9) The red bandanna has become a symbol of
19 his heroic efforts and an inspiration to so many who
20 have been touched by Welles story.

21 (10) In the face of tragedy, Welles Remy
22 Crowther demonstrated exceptional bravery, leader-
23 ship, heroism, and sacrifice.

24 (11) As the “Man in the Red Bandanna”, he
25 has been enshrined in the history and hearts of

1 America as an embodiment of the virtues we all are
2 called to emulate as individuals and as a Nation.

3 (b) CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL.—

4 (1) PRESENTATION AUTHORIZED.—The Speak-
5 er of the House of Representatives and the Presi-
6 dent pro tempore of the Senate shall make appro-
7 priate arrangements for the posthumous presen-
8 tation, on behalf of Congress, of a gold medal of ap-
9 propriate design in commemoration to Welles Remy
10 Crowther, in recognition of his bravery, heroism, and
11 sacrifice in the face of one of the gravest tragedies
12 in American history.

13 (2) DESIGN AND STRIKING.—For purposes of
14 the presentation referred to in paragraph (1), the
15 Secretary of the Treasury (referred to in this section
16 as the “Secretary”) shall strike a gold medal with
17 suitable emblems, devices, and inscriptions to be de-
18 termined by the Secretary. The design shall bear an
19 image of, and inscription of the name of, Welles
20 Remy Crowther.

21 (3) DISPOSITION OF MEDAL.—Following the
22 presentation described in paragraph (1), the gold
23 medal shall be given to the mother of Welles Remy
24 Crowther, Alison Crowther.

1 (c) DUPLICATE MEDALS.—The Secretary may strike
2 and sell duplicates in bronze of the gold medal struck pur-
3 suant to subsection (b) at a price sufficient to cover the
4 costs of the medals, including labor, materials, dies, use
5 of machinery, and overhead expenses.

6 (d) STATUS OF MEDALS.—

7 (1) NATIONAL MEDALS.—The medals struck
8 pursuant to this section are national medals for pur-
9 poses of chapter 51 of title 31, United States Code.

10 (2) NUMISMATIC ITEMS.—For purposes of sec-
11 tions 5134 and 5136 of title 31, United States Code,
12 all medals struck under this section shall be consid-
13 ered to be numismatic items.

14 (e) AUTHORITY TO USE FUND AMOUNTS; PROCEEDS
15 OF SALE.—

16 (1) AUTHORITY TO USE FUND AMOUNTS.—
17 There is authorized to be charged against the
18 United States Mint Public Enterprise Fund such
19 amounts as may be necessary to pay for the costs
20 of the medals struck pursuant to this section.

21 (2) PROCEEDS OF SALE.—Amounts received
22 from the sale of duplicate bronze medals authorized
23 under this section shall be deposited into the United
24 States Mint Public Enterprise Fund.

