

SR-195, As Adopted by Senate, September 6, 2016

Senator Bieda offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 195.

A resolution to recognize the 125th anniversary of the American Numismatic Association.

Whereas, In March 1891, the concept of an American Numismatic Association (ANA) was conceived by Michigan native, Dr. George Heath, following a positive reaction upon request for a numismatic society. The ANA was formally founded in Chicago in October 1891 by Dr. Heath, William G. Jerrems, David Harlowe, J.A. Heckelman and John Brydon. In addition, the ANA's "Lamp of Knowledge" seal, which was adapted from the University of Michigan logo, has been in use for many years. Since its inception, the ANA has inspired and connected numismatists from all across the world; and

Whereas, *The Numismatist*, its national publication, originated in Michigan and was edited and printed by Dr. Heath. *The Numismatist*, which was in publication before the formation of the ANA, continues to help connect collectors across the nation to study and learn about numismatics. *The Numismatist* helped generate a movement that would soon lead to the formation of the Association in 1891; and

Whereas, The American Numismatic Association is widely known as the world's largest non-profit numismatic organization, with nearly 25,000 members committed to the rich history and lore of currency. The organization brings together currency enthusiasts, as well as newcomers, to advance the knowledge and hobby of numismatics; and

Whereas, The Association has attained national recognition with its federal charter signed by President William H. Taft and a permanent charter signed into law by President John F. Kennedy. Today the organization's national headquarters are located in Colorado, where the ANA's monthly journal is produced and a museum and library are operated for the benefit of collectors and the general public; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative body recognize October 2016 as the 125th anniversary of the American Numismatic Association; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the American Numismatic Association.