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## Coins for a Cure

*Funds raised from sales of U.S. commemoratives will be donated to breast cancer research.*

➤ THE U.S. MINT will release a set of three coins aimed at increasing breast cancer awareness and generating income to help find a cure for the disease. Because of the efforts of U.S. Representative Carolyn Maloney (D-New York), legislation detailing the issue's creation was signed into law on April 29, and the series will be available in 2018.

A design contest will be held to select artwork for the commemoratives that symbolizes the fight against breast cancer. The \$5 coins will be at least 75-percent gold, which the mint will tint pink using a new process. In addition to 50,000 gold \$5 pieces, the mint will produce 400,000 silver dollars and 750,000 half dollars.

A portion of the proceeds will be donated to the Breast Cancer Research Foundation, a New York-based nonprofit. Pre-issue prices have not been announced, but surcharges of at least \$35 on each pink-gold coin, \$10 on each silver dollar and \$5 on every half dollar sold will be donated to the organization.