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▲ NGC labels hand-signed by Mike Castle will appear on special red-core encapsulations offered by select retailers.

SPECIAL INSCRIPTION

The Coinage Congressman

NGC and Heritage offer slabs hand-signed by a hobby champion.

NUMISMATIC GUARANTY Corporation (NGC) and Heritage Auctions have collaborated to offer encapsulated coins bearing a special label that is hand-signed by former Delaware Governor Mike Castle. While in Congress, "The Coinage Congressman" wrote and/or sponsored the bills that led to the 50 State Quarters® program, the Sacagawea dollar, the Presidential dollar series, the America the Beautiful Quarters® program and more. "Mike Castle has done more than any other person in

the last 25 years to shape United States coins," says Steven R. Eichenbaum, chief executive officer of NGC.

Castle's crowning achievement is the 50 States Quarters program, which netted nearly \$7 billion in profit for the U.S. government and created an estimated 150 million casual coin collectors. "I am excited to continue my involvement in coins and the collecting community with NGC," says Castle. "This innovative program is yet another way for new people to be introduced to this great hobby."