

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 9
ELIZABETH PERATROVICH COMMEMORATIVE COIN



Design #09



Design #06

The 2020 Native American dollar will honor “Elizabeth Peratrovich and Alaska’s Anti-Discrimination Law.” Peratrovich, a member of the Tlingit nation, was an activist who worked for equality for the Native people of Alaska. Her advocacy was instrumental in passing the nation’s first anti-discrimination law in 1945.

The Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee (CCAC) voted to recommend Design 09 for the coin. It features a raven stylized in the Tlingit art tradition holding a key in its beak that is unlocking the door to equality. While some members noted that the raven design will need to be reviewed for artistic accuracy, others commended the overall design for blending Native American and traditional European elements.

The Commission of Fine Arts (CFA) recommended Design 06 featuring a portrait of Peratrovich and a traditionally stylized raven. Members noted that here, too, the raven will need to be reviewed for artistic integrity.

In 2017, 11 images were selected to represent the Elizabeth Peratrovich Native American coin. The two images above have been selected by the CCAC and CFA as the final coins for consideration. In the end, the decision will be made by the US Treasury Secretary.