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DIRECTOR OF THE MINT
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20220


February 20, 1975

Dear Betty:

Enclosed is the picture we are releasing to the press concerning the President's official medal.

I cannot thank you enough for helping me out with this. We have had many request for the medal and everyone will be delighted that it is now available.

Affectionately,



Mary Brooks

Mrs. Gerald R. Ford
The White House
Washington, D. C.

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ITEM TRANSFER FORM

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Item: 2 black-and-white photographs: Close-up of Gerald Ford presidential medal and U.S. Mint Director Mary Brooks with First Lady Betty Ford with the first strike of the medal.

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Mint Director Mary Brooks (Left) presented to Mrs. Gerald R. Ford the first strike of President Ford's official medal. The bronze medallion has been added to the National Medals list. The 3" in diameter medal is available to the public from the U. S. Mint, by mail order, at \$5.25 each. Smaller bronze versions, 1-5/16" in diameter, are available at 60¢ each.

The President's portrait appears on the obverse and was executed by the Mint's chief sculptor and engraver, Frank Gasparro. The reverse design, executed by Mint engraver Matthew Peloso, features the Presidential seal and a quotation from President Ford's inaugural address on August 9, 1974: "I will be the President of all the people, "





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