ASCENSION ISLAND





CURRENCY (ASCENSION) ORDINANCE, 2009

PROCLAMATION

In the Name of His Majesty Charles III, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and His other Realms and Territories Queen, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith.

By His Excellency Nigel Phillips CBE Governor

WHEREAS it is fitting that coins to commemorate The Coat of Arms Silver Buffalo – Emily Damstra designs should be issued under the provisions of section 4(1) of the Currency (Ascension) Ordinance, 2009, which said coins shall be legal tender in Ascension.

AND WHEREAS it is within the province of the Governor to specify the denomination, weight, form and design and composition of coins to be made and issued, by Proclamation and with the approval of the Secretary of State.

NOW THEREFORE, I, the Governor of Ascension, acting in accordance with the provisions of section 4(2) of the Ordinance, and with the approval of the Secretary of State, do hereby order and specify for Ascension the following coins:

AB 25 No.12 Commemorative Coins Coat of Arms Silver Buffalo – Emily Damstra Designs

	Face Value	Alloy	Quality	Diameter	Gross Weight	Royalty
COA SBED	One Dollar	Silver	Proof/Reverse Proof*	38.6mm	1oz	£0.70
COA SBED	One Dollar	Silver	Proof/Reverse Proof*	27mm	½ oz	£0.70
COA SBED	One Dollar	Silver	Proof/Reverse Proof*	22mm	1/4 OZ	£0.70
COA SBED	One Dollar	Silver	Proof/Reverse Proof*	16.5mm	1/10oz	£0.70

Design 1 - A depiction of the numismatic masterpiece, the Silver Buffalo, which is a widely recognised and collectible numismatic piece in the world market. The original was designed after James Earle Fraser's renowned Indian Head and Buffalo Nickel series. The reverse features an American Buffalo, modelled after 'Black Diamond', which was the New York Central Park Zoo's resident buffalo in the early 20th century. Fraser originally sketched the animal during a visit to the zoo and this formed the basis for his final design.

The obverse - beautifully depicts James Earle Fraser's American Indian profile design that was first featured on the 1913 Buffalo Nickel.

This depiction has been created by Emily Damstra, a freelance artist who is part of The U.S. Mint's Artistic Infusion Programme. She has designed over 40 coins and medals for both The U.S. Mint and The Royal Canadian Mint. Her designs include, amongst others, the new American Silver Eagle reverse that debuted mid-2023 and the 2019 Native American \$1 coin reverse. The Ascension Island Coat of Arms is positioned in the lower right hand section of the design. A privy mark bearing the shield from the Ascension Island crest is positioned just at the base of the Native American's neck.

Given under my hand the public seal of St Helena, at the Castle, Jamestown, this 17th day of June 2024.

GOD SAVE THE KING!
