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#### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair will postpone further proceedings today on motions to suspend the rules on which a recorded vote or the yeas and nays are ordered, or on which the vote is objected to under clause 6 of rule XX.

Record votes on postponed questions will be taken later.

#### HONORING DR. WILLIAM SPOELHOF

Mr. POLIS. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution (H. Res. 91) honoring the life and service of Dr. William Spoelhof, president emeritus of Calvin College in Grand Rapids, Michigan, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The text of the resolution is as follows:

#### H. RES. 91

Whereas Dr. William Spoelhof was born on December 8, 1909, in Paterson, New Jersey, and passed away on December 3, 2008, at the age of 98;

Whereas in 1931, Dr. Spoelhof graduated from Calvin College in Grand Rapids, Michigan, and began teaching social studies at the middle school level;

Whereas in 1937, Dr. Spoelhof received a Master of Arts degree and began his doctoral studies at the University of Michigan;

Whereas during World War II, Dr. Spoelhof served our country by joining the Office of Strategic Services in 1942 and enlisting in the Navy in 1943;

Whereas following the war, Dr. Spoelhof completed his doctoral work at the University of Michigan, and, in 1946, returned to Calvin College to teach history and political science;

Whereas in 1956, 5 years after becoming president of Calvin College, Dr. Spoelhof oversaw the process of moving Calvin College from its original Franklin Street campus located near downtown Grand Rapids to its current Knollcrest campus in southeast Grand Rapids;

Whereas Dr. Spoelhof carefully balanced Calvin College's vision for excellence in academics with its relationship with the Christian Reformed Church, as he effectively steered the College through church conflicts and the tumultuous, nationwide student protests of the 1960s;

Whereas in 1976, after 25 years of service as an administrator, Dr. Spoelhof became the longest-serving president in Calvin College's history to date and announced his retirement;

Whereas after his formal retirement, Dr. Spoelhof was named president emeritus and maintained an office and steady presence at the College, offering continued support and goodwill whenever needed;

Whereas Dr. Spoelhof was a Christian role model and mentor to many faculty members,

staff, and students, as he provided wisdom and counsel to thousands of individuals during his more than 6 decades of service to Calvin College;

Whereas Dr. Spoelhof is fondly remembered for his contributions to daily discussions with retired faculty and students at the "Emeritorium" and for his kind words to passersby around the campus;

Whereas on December 3, 2004, Calvin College physics and astronomy professor, Larry Molnar, discovered an asteroid, and named it Asteroid 129099 Spoelhof in honor of Dr. Spoelhof;

Whereas Dr. Spoelhof was a respected leader in the Christian Reformed Church denomination, an educator of generations of teachers and ministers through programs at Calvin College, a faithful presence at the denominational Synod meetings, and a loyal member of the Neland Avenue Christian Reformed Church;

Whereas Dr. Spoelhof was awarded the Bronze Star Medal by the Navy for his service in World War II;

Whereas, for his contributions in liaison with the Dutch Resistance Movement, Dr. Spoelhof was honored by Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands with the Order of Orange-Nassau with swords and a laurel wreath;

Whereas in 1935, Dr. Spoelhof married Miss Angeline Nydam, and they had three children, Robert Spoelhof, Elsa Scherphorn, and Peter Spoelhof;

Whereas Ange, as Dr. Spoelhof lovingly called his wife, passed away in 1994; and

Whereas Dr. Spoelhof lived a life of gratitude and desired to bring God's glory in all he did, and, on December 3, 2008, the Calvin College community lost a visionary leader and wise friend: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the House of Representatives honors the life of Dr. William Spoelhof and his outstanding devotion and service as a member of the military, teacher, and professor, president, and friend of Calvin College in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from Colorado (Mr. POLIS) and the gentleman from Louisiana (Mr. CASSIDY) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Colorado.

#### GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. POLIS. Mr. Speaker, I request 5 legislative days during which Members may revise and extend their remarks and insert extraneous materials into the RECORD on House Resolution 91.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Colorado?

There was no objection.

Mr. POLIS. I yield myself as much time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of House Resolution 91, which honors the life and achievements of Dr. William Spoelhof, a long-time president of Calvin College in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Dr. Spoelhof, a decorated war hero, a dedicated member of the Christian Reformed Church and father of three, passed away at the age of 98 on December 3, 2008.

Born in Paterson, New Jersey in 1909, Dr. Spoelhof graduated from Calvin College in 1931 and began teaching social studies in a local middle school. He left to pursue a Master of Arts degree, first at Columbia University, then transferring to the University of Michi-

gan where he received his degree in 1937, beginning his doctoral studies immediately afterwards.

He deferred his studies during World War II, serving our Nation in the Office of Strategic Services, then enlisting in the Navy. The Navy recognized his service by awarding him a Bronze Star Medal, and for his efforts with the Dutch Resistance Movement, Dr. Spoelhof was honored by Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands with the order of Orange-Nassau.

After receiving his doctorate from the University of Michigan in 1946, Spoelhof returned to Calvin College to begin his long and distinguished career there. He began teaching history and political science at the college, and became president in 1951. Dr. Spoelhof was a dedicated member of the Neland Avenue Christian Reformed Church, which had a very close relationship with Calvin College. Dr. Spoelhof effectively led the college through church conflicts and student protests of the turbulent 1960s as well as oversaw Calvin College's move from its Franklin Street location to its current Knollcrest campus. Today, one of the principal buildings in this 400-acre campus is the William Spoelhof College Center.

After 25 years of service to Calvin College, Dr. Spoelhof retired in 1976 as the longest serving president in the college's history. After his formal retirement, Dr. Spoelhof was named president emeritus, maintaining an office and continuing to act as a mentor for countless faculty members, staff and students. He was also honored by a Calvin College professor, Larry Molnar, who discovered an asteroid in 2004 and named it "Spoelhof."

Dr. Spoelhof and his wife, Angeline Nydam, who passed away in 1994, had three children together: Robert, Peter and Elsa Scherphorn.

A committed servant and role model in his community, William Spoelhof's dedication to his college, his church and his country sets a prime example for our Nation to follow. I would like to have this opportunity to recognize his life and accomplishments.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. CASSIDY. I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of House Resolution 91, offered by the gentleman from Michigan (Mr. EHLERS). This resolution honors the life and service of William Spoelhof, president emeritus of Calvin College in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Dr. Spoelhof was born in 1909 in Paterson, New Jersey, and passed away on December 3, 2008, at the age of 98. He graduated from Calvin College in 1931 and began teaching social studies at the middle school level. In 1937, he received his Master of Arts degree, and began his doctoral studies at the University of Michigan.

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During World War II, Dr. Spoelhof enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served