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Honoring the dedication and hard work of Professor Eric Reeves on behalf of the people of Sudan.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. PAYNE (for himself, Mr. Wolf, Mr. Capuano, and Mr. Tancredo) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

RESOLUTION

Honoring the dedication and hard work of Professor Eric Reeves on behalf of the people of Sudan.

- Whereas Professor Eric Reeves taught English language and literature for almost 30 years at Smith College;
- Whereas Professor Reeves has tirelessly and with incredible determination worked on behalf of the helpless in Sudan for the past 8 years;
- Whereas Professor Reeves recently wrote a book, "A Long Day's Dying: Critical Moments in the Darfur Genocide", in his continuing effort to inform people about the untold suffering in Darfur, Sudan;
- Whereas Professor Reeves spearheaded the "Genocide Olympics" campaign and continues to elevate international

- pressure on China in an effort to end the suffering in Darfur;
- Whereas Professor Reeves, at great personal cost and sacrifice, has shared with the public cogent and insightful analysis on these important issues;
- Whereas before the world and the media had begun to take notice of the situation in Darfur, Professor Reeves was sounding the clarion call and documenting a genocide;
- Whereas while months stretched into long, anguished years, Professor Reeves' weekly analyses grew from six or seven hundred words per week in 2004 to more than 7,000 words per week today;
- Whereas Professor Reeves has seen and felt the suffering of the helpless in Darfur from the beginning, and continues to write about the atrocities beyond description, along with his own moral outrage;
- Whereas we can not be sure how many more would have perished had it not been for the unflinching focus of Professor Reeves, who made it impossible for the rest of the world to look away;
- Whereas Professor Reeves remains one of the nation's most knowledgeable, effective, and rigorous analysts of United States and international policy toward Sudan;
- Whereas Professor Reeves is a passionate advocate of bold steps to stop the genocide and suffering in Darfur, the Nuba Mountains, South Sudan, and other marginalized areas;
- Whereas Professor Reeves has dedicated himself to the liberation of the people of Sudan, to promote human rights for Sudan's marginalized populations, and to support hu-

manitarian assistance for Sudan's at-risk victims of violence and oppression;

- Whereas Professor Reeves has invested so much energy and time to end the suffering for the helpless, even while in bad health;
- Whereas Professor Reeves' professional work protects the victims and exposes the abusers of human rights; and
- Whereas Professor Reeves is a steadfast, constant, and unyielding voice in defense of the helpless civilians in Darfur and other marginalized areas of Sudan: Now, therefore, be it
 - 1 Resolved, That the House of Representatives—
 - 2 (1) honors the dedication and hard work of
 - 3 Professor Eric Reeves;
 - 4 (2) wishes a speedy recovery for Professor
 - 5 Reeves;
 - 6 (3) expresses appreciation to Professor Reeves
 - 7 and his family for the personal sacrifices and tireless
 - 8 efforts in defense of the helpless in Sudan;
 - 9 (4) reaffirms its commitment to a just and last-
- ing peace in Sudan; and
- 11 (5) demands full implementation of the Com-
- prehensive Peace Agreement relating to Sudan.