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WASHINGTON, D.C. May 18 -- "The death of Clifford Hope is a tragic

loss for our country, "U.S. Senator Bob Dole said here today.

"He will be remembered by many for his impressive legislative record during his 30 years as a member of the U.S. House of Representatives.

"Cliff was responsible for landmark legislation in the areas of agriculture and conservation. His dedication to the economic betterment of farmers gained him the reputation of Congressional champion of the small farmer.

"Since his retirement from Congress in 1956, Mr. Hope had continued an active interest in agriculture, particularly in promotion of greater uses of wheat at home and abroad.

"Mr. Hope was, indeed, a great American and he enriched the lives of many of his countrymen."