

May 22, 2025

Re: Retirement from Parish Ministry under Church Order Article 18a-b

Dear ECRC Council,

Thank you for your continued leadership and thank you for maintaining and holding my ministerial credentials.

I am writing to formally request your support to retire from full-time pastoral ministry within the Christian Reformed Church in North America under Church Order Article 18, and to be granted the title of Pastor Emeritus.

As you know, I have not served in full-time congregational ministry for the past three years and have been under Church Order Article 17 during this time. Although I continue to be actively and fully engaged in ministry in a different capacity outside of a congregational setting, it is my desire to bring formal closure to my role as a full-time pastor within the CRCNA.

I remain committed to my ordination and to serving Christ's church faithfully. I am asking ECRC to affirm and hold my credentials as I move into retirement from congregational ministry, while still remaining in active ministry more broadly.

I respectfully request that the council recommend to Classis Huron that I be granted retirement under Article 18 and approved for Pastor Emeritus status. This step will allow me to honor my calling and the church's structure, while acknowledging this important transition.

Thank you for your support, prayers, and continued work in the Kingdom.

In His Service,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Kevin teBrake", written in a cursive style.

Kevin teBrake