

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS, HONORING THE LEGACY OF THE HONORABLE COUNCILMAN REV. DR. LEO F. SCOTT AND SETTING FEBRUARY 12TH OF EACH YEAR AS "REV. DR. LEO F. SCOTT DAY"

WHEREAS, the Honorable Councilman Rev. Dr. Leo F. Scott was born in Rockdale, Milam County, Texas, February 12, 1933; and,

WHEREAS, the longtime pharmacist, beloved family patriarch, devoted spiritual leader, Army veteran, and dedicated civic leader departed this life on December 28, 2009; and,

WHEREAS, Rev. Dr. Scott was known as a "trailblazer," "mentor", and "bridge-builder" in the City of Abilene serving as the city's first African American pharmacist; the city's first African American City Councilmember from 1978 to 1981; a leader and member of numerous boards and committees; and was recognized by then Governor Ann Richards for his contribution to the Legacy of the Black Church; and,

WHEREAS, as an ordained minister, Rev. Dr. Scott served as pastor of the Oak Grove Baptist Church in Hamlin, Abilene's New Light Baptist Church, and as honorary pastor of Abilene's Mt. Zion Baptist Church. He also served as the President, 1st Vice Moderator, and Dean of the Progressive West Texas Baptist District Association and as Dean of the New World Theological Seminary; and,

WHEREAS, Rev. Dr. Scott was a long time supporter of scholarship and education and established the Leo and Piney Scott Scholarship Fund with the Community Foundation of Abilene; instituted the Progressive West Texas Baptist District Association Scholarship Fund; was recognized by Texas Southern University for his contributions toward the education of pharmacy students; and contributed significantly to numerous local students in pursuit of higher education. The scholarship fund at New Light Baptist Church has been named in his honor; and,

WHEREAS, his deep faith in God; his tireless commitment to the churches he pastored; and his dedication to making the city in which he lived a better place are equaled only by his loving devotion to his wife Piney, his children and grandchildren, relatives, friends, colleagues, and faithful believers.

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS, THAT;

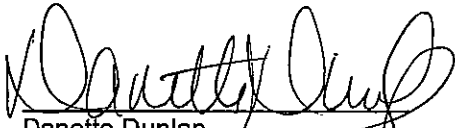
SECTION 1: The City Council of the City of Abilene sets out February 12th of each year to be known as "Rev. Dr. Leo F. Scott Day".


SECTION 2: The legacy of Rev. Dr. Scott is one of faith and service to God; love for his family; and dedication to making the city in which he lived a better place for present and future generations.

SECTION 3: This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

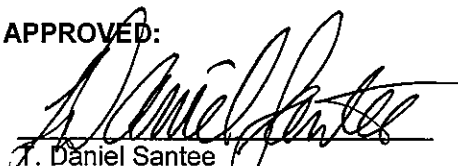
PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE 11TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2010.

ATTEST:


Danette Dunlap
City Secretary, City of Abilene


Norm Archibald
Mayor, City of Abilene

APPROVED:


Daniel Santee
City Attorney