



# City of Columbus

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## Legislation Text

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To honor and recognize Dr. La Fayette Scales during his 60<sup>th</sup> Birthday celebration on February 18, 2011.

**WHEREAS**, Dr. La Fayette Scales is a native of Columbus and was raised in the home of Christian parents; and

**WHEREAS**, at the age of twenty-one, Dr. La Fayette Scales received the Lord Jesus Christ as Savior and was licensed to preach the Gospel in 1973; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1982, Dr. La Fayette Scales was commissioned pastor of Rhema Christian Center. The congregation began with only seven members and has grown profoundly, making an impact in northeast Columbus; and

**WHEREAS**, Rhema Christian Center has assisted in establishing six (6) local congregations and developed the Dayspring Christian Community Development Corporation which provides affordable housing and economic opportunity for low-income families; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. La Fayette Scales is a charter member of the Fellowship of Inner City Word of Faith Ministries (FICWFM) and has ministered throughout the United States, Canada, Israel, Zimbabwe, Russia, South Africa, Australia, Latvia, Estonia, Sweden, Tanzania, Uganda, Kenya, Fiji, Peru, Ecuador, and Singapore and throughout the Philippines, Indonesia, and Malaysia and the Dominican Republic; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. La Fayette Scales is recognized and set in the Church as an Apostle and functions in that capacity to many leaders, churches, and ministries locally, nationally, and internationally; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. La Fayette Scales is the author of two books: *"What is the Church Coming To"* and *"It's The Walk Not The Talk"* and has been a featured speaker at Back to the Bible Conference; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. La Fayette Scales received an Honorary Doctorate of Divinity from Beulah Heights Bible College in Atlanta, Georgia in 2003; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. La Fayette Scales is always ready to impart to leaders and congregations the wisdom, insight, and revelation which God has given to him and has been a frequent guest on *Ask A Pastor* on *Overcomer's Television*, a weekly broadcast on UPN Columbus TV 53 affiliate produced by the church in its own facilities as an outreach to the community; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. La Fayette Scales, his wife, Theresa and their children, Jonathan, Nataria, Yolonda, and Christopher and his two grandchildren, Marques and Mia will celebrate his 60<sup>th</sup> birthday during a celebration with Rhema Christian Center; now, therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:**

That this Council does hereby honor and recognize Dr. La Fayette Scales during his 60<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration on February 18, 2011 and thank him for his contributions to the City of Columbus.