

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 264**  
**Reverend Dr. Robert Charles Scott**

**WHEREAS**, we have been apprised Reverend Dr. Robert Charles Scott is celebrating 35 years as a gifted preacher and 15 years as the senior pastor of Central Baptist Church, one of the fastest growing churches and the second oldest African American Baptist church in St. Louis, with nearly 1500 disciples; and

**WHEREAS**, He has led Central Baptist Church through a \$2.5 million dollar renovation of its worship and educational facilities. He preached his initial sermon at the age of 11; licensed at the age of 12; and ordained at the age of 18 at the Oak Grove Missionary Baptist Church (Monticello, MS) ; and

**WHEREAS**, He is the son of Mrs. Dorothy Newsome (formerly Scott) and Mr. Robert Funches. He is married to Pier Charisse Scott and they are the parents of Charis Jordyn Scott.

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Scott is a 1986 honor graduate of Monticello High School. He attended Jackson State University in Jackson, MS where he served his peers as president of the Student Government Association. In May 1991, he graduated with honors from JSU with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science/Pre-law. He pursued his seminary education at Duke University Divinity School, Durham, NC and graduated in 1994 with a Master of Divinity. He earned his doctoral degree (at the age of 29) from United Theological Seminary (Dayton, OH) in December 1997 under the mentorship of the Reverend Dr. Wyatt Tee Walker; and

**WHEREAS**, although he accepted the calling to preach at an early age, Dr. Scott contends that his acceptance preserved him until he got older and gained a better understanding of himself and the ministry. During this transition, he was greatly influenced by the late Reverend Dr. Samuel DeWitt Proctor, his professor and advisor at Duke; and the Reverend Dr. Wyatt Tee Walker, his mentor at United; and

**WHEREAS**, The Reverend Dr. Robert C. Scott served as District Representative for the Eighth District of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. (April 2010-April 2013). At the Centennial Celebration of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, he was a recipient of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Century of Excellence Award in Religion. He received the International Omega Man of the Year Award (International Conclave, Raleigh, NC July 2010). Dr. Scott was inducted into the Morehouse College Board of Preachers (April 2006) and was selected in the inaugural edition of the top twenty young preachers under 40 to watch by The African American Pulpit—Summer 2001 (an international preaching journal with emphasis on Black preaching). ; and

**WHEREAS**, he has mentored doctoral students at United Theological Seminary (Dayton, OH) with Dr. Charles E. Booth and Dr. Jesse T. Williams. He has preached at the winter board meeting for National Baptist Convention, USA Inc. (January 2011). He was a keynote speaker for the National Urban League meeting (Summer 2007). He was the featured young preacher for the J. H. Jackson/Caesar Clark preaching forum for the National Baptist Convention, USA Inc. (September 2003, Kansas City, MO). He was one of the key organizers of A Call to Oneness, which organized over 20,000 African American men to march against violence and crime in St. Louis, MO (June 1, 2008). He is also a General Board member of American Baptist Churches, USA (March 2009-present) where he sits on the Finance Committee. He is the part time director of the Baptist House of Studies at Eden Theological Seminary, Webster Groves, MO (August 2012-present).

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize Reverend Dr. Robert Charles Scott and we wish him continued success, achievement and accomplishment and we further direct the Clerk of this Board to spread a copy of this Resolution across the minutes of these proceedings and to prepare a commemorative copy to the end that it may be presented to our honorees at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced on the 20th day of March, 2015 by:

**Honorable Marlene Davis, Alderwoman 19th Ward**

Adopted this the 20th day of March, 2015 as attested by:

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David W. Sweeney  
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

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Lewis E. Reed  
President, Board of Aldermen