

SR-118, As Adopted by Senate, February 24, 2010

Senator Scott offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 118.

A resolution in memory of Kelvin W. Scott, a champion for civil rights and a lawyer dedicated to justice.

Whereas, Kelvin W. Scott was born and raised in Saginaw, Michigan; and

Whereas, Mr. Scott attended Michigan State University before earning his law degree at Georgetown University Law School in 1987; and

Whereas, He had his first job at the Detroit law firm Dickinson Wright, P.L.L.C., before becoming an assistant U.S. attorney. Mr. Scott also was a litigator with Kienbaum Opperwall Hardy & Pelton, P.L.C., and counsel for Masco Corporation and Plastech Engineered Products, Inc.; and

Whereas, Governor Jennifer M. Granholm appointed Mr. Scott to the Civil Rights Commission in 2004 and then as department director in 2009; and

Whereas, Kelvin Scott launched a statewide discussion about race and was investigating migrant worker conditions in Michigan; and

Whereas, Mr. Scott was recently elected chairman of the board of Legal Aid and Defender of Detroit, also serving as past president of the Wolverine Bar Association, state representative of the National Black Prosecutors Association, and former board member for the 15th Democratic congressional district; and

Whereas, He enjoyed golf, basketball, and running and was an avid traveler; and

Whereas, Kelvin Scott died on February 20, 2010, at the age of 47 after a battle with cancer; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That we offer words of praise as a memorial for Kelvin W. Scott; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Mr. Scott's wife, Mrs. Ursula Henry, and his parents, Helen and Herman Scott. May they find comfort in their faith and their memories of this fine man and his distinguished life.