

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING AND URGING THE APPOINTMENT OF EDWIN A. SCALES TO THE VACANT POSITION ON THE THIRD DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, Ed Scales is one of the candidates currently being considered by the Governor for appointment to the Third District Court of Appeal; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Scales has served the citizens of Monroe County and Key West with distinction for many years in a variety of capacities including, but not limited to, serving as a City Commissioner for the City of Key West, as a member of the Board of Trustees for the Florida Keys Community College, member of the Florida Commission on Ethics, and as a member of the Florida Bar Board of Governors representing the 16th Judicial Circuit; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Scales is an accomplished litigator, appellate lawyer, and mediator who is very well qualified to serve on the Third District Court of Appeal; and

WHEREAS, Monroe County is one of only two counties within the Third District Court of Appeal; and

WHEREAS, since its creation in 1957, no lawyer from Monroe County has ever been appointed to serve as Judge on the Third District Court of Appeal; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Monroe County would be well served to have their unique geographic region appropriately represented on the Court by the informed, intelligent and thorough reasoning Mr. Scales would bring to the Third District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: That the Key West City Commission supports the appointment of Edwin A. Scales to the Third District Court of Appeal and respectfully requests that the Governor of the great State of Florida allow Mr. Scales the honor and privilege to serve its citizens in such a capacity.

Section 2: That the City Clerk is directed to immediately transmit this Resolution forthwith to the Governor at the following address:

Honorable Rick Scott
Office of the Governor - APPOINTMENTS 3rd DCA
The Capitol, PLO5
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0001

Section 3: That this Resolution shall go into effect immediately upon its passage and adoption and authentication by the signature of the Presiding Officer and the Clerk of the Commission.

Passed and adopted by the City Commission at a meeting held this _____ day of _____, 2011.

Authenticated by the Presiding Officer and Clerk of the Commission on _____ day of _____, 2011.

Filed with the Clerk on _____, 2011

MARK ROSSI, VICE MAYOR

ATTEST:

CHERYL SMITH, CITY CLERK