

1 WHEREAS, the facility will increase forensic support to law enforcement partners
2 in communities across North Louisiana and allow experts to process evidence more
3 efficiently so that crimes can be solved faster; and

4 WHEREAS, the state committed \$24 million in capital outlay funding to build the
5 new crime lab; and

6 WHEREAS, news media have reported that the new facility will be large enough to
7 meet the evidence analysis demand of North Louisiana and will also provide hands-on
8 learning experience for LSU-Health forensic students, who will be able to work in the new
9 facility and access new forensic technology. The new building will be built on property that
10 is part of the LSU-Health Shreveport campus and will be used as a teaching facility for areas
11 of Forensic Pathology through LSU-Health, as well as graduate studies programs in Forensic
12 Science in its School of Allied Health; and

13 WHEREAS, Charles Rex Scott has served the people of Caddo Parish and the state
14 of Louisiana as a Caddo Parish district judge for thirty years and as the Caddo Parish District
15 Attorney for almost seven years; and

16 WHEREAS, Charles Rex Scott attended Northwestern State University and obtained
17 his juris doctorate from LSU School of Law; he served as an assistant city attorney and
18 special assistant district attorney for seven years, from 1973 until 1980; and

19 WHEREAS, Charles Rex Scott devoted his life to the service of law and the people
20 of Caddo Parish; and

21 WHEREAS, Charles Rex Scott worked tirelessly for the funding of a new crime lab
22 in Caddo Parish and was instrumental in lowering the jail population; and

23 WHEREAS, Charles Rex Scott served dutifully as the Chairman of the North
24 Louisiana Criminalistics Laboratory Commission; and

25 WHEREAS, Mr. Scott was quoted at the groundbreaking of the new crime lab
26 facility as saying, "The North Louisiana Crime Lab has consistently maintained a high level
27 of accreditation, and this new facility will build on our current ability to protect our children
28 and communities and ensure justice is swiftly served. In order to maintain a healthy
29 economy and attract safety-conscious businesses, we need to make our area as safe as
30 possible. This new facility will help all of our law enforcement officials do just that."; and

1 WHEREAS, it is with deep regret and profound sorrow that the members of the
2 Legislature of Louisiana have learned of the death of Charles Rex Scott on Wednesday,
3 April 22, 2015, at the age of sixty-seven.

4 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
5 urge and request that the North Louisiana Criminalistics Laboratory Commission designate
6 the new North Louisiana Criminalistics Laboratory as the "Charles Rex Scott North
7 Louisiana Criminalistics Laboratory" in honor of Mr. Charles Rex Scott and his legacy of
8 service to the people of Caddo Parish.

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
10 to the North Louisiana Criminalistics Laboratory Commission.

DIGEST

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