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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Alex Pish of Zion, who passed away on September 26, 2009; and

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WHEREAS, Alex Pish was born in Olyphant, PA on February 24, 1911; he married Martha Koziar in 1934 and they recently celebrated their 75th wedding anniversary; and

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WHEREAS, He was a coal miner in Pennsylvania; in 1941, he and his family moved to North Chicago where his brother, who owned a restaurant there, "The Fairway", asked Alex to help him feed the Navy servicemen during the war; and

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WHEREAS, He then worked for Great Lakes where he ran the Great Lakes Water Plant, was a member of St. Patrick's Church in Wadsworth, volunteered for the North Chicago Senior Center where he was named Senior Citizen of the year, and was a good fisherman and a great storyteller; and

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WHEREAS, Alex Pish was preceded in death by his parents, Frank and Eva Pish; his brothers, Harry, Frank, Anthony, and Sam; and his sister, Tessie; and

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WHEREAS, Alex Pish is survived by his wife, Martha; his

1 son, William (Dorothy) Pish; his daughter, Diane (John) Link;
2 his grandchildren: Bill Pish, Suzann Caccamo, Gloria Westphal,
3 Jeffrey Link, Timothy Pish, David Link, and Mary Link; and his
4 great-grandchildren, Jill, Kate, Rico, Kelly, Ben, Alex,
5 Rhett, Bailey, Isabella, and Nicholas; therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL
7 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
8 his family and friends, the passing of Alex Pish; and be it
9 further

10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
11 presented to the family of Alex Pish as a symbol of our sincere
12 sympathy.