SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Martha (nee Koziar) Pish of Zion, who passed away on April 10, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Martha Pish was born in Olyphant, Pennsylvania on September 1, 1916; she married Alex Pish in Pennsylvania and they moved to North Chicago in 1941; and

WHEREAS, Martha Pish worked for Abbott Laboratories for 15 years; and

WHEREAS, Martha Pish helped start a sewing club with many of her friends that lasted for 50 years of which she was the lone survivor; she kept everyone warm with her homemade knitted slippers; she also was active with the senior citizens club in North Chicago; she lived at Rolling Hills Place for several years and made many friends with the residents and staff; she was a member of the Church of St. Patrick in Wadsworth; and

WHEREAS, Martha Pish was preceded in death by her husband of 75 years, Alex; her brother, Michael Koziar; and her 3 sisters, Shirley Farretti, Anna Tornambe, and Olga Partnova; and

WHEREAS, Martha Pish is survived by her son, William (Dorothy); her daughter, Diane (John) Link; her 2 sisters, Julia Pish and Mary Pegula; her brother, John Koziar; her 7 grandchildren, Bill Pish, Jr., Suzann Caccamo, Gloria Westphal, Jeffery Link, Timothy Pish, David Link, and Mary Link; and her 10 great-grandchildren, Jill, Kate, Rico, Kelly, Ben, Alex, Rhett, Bailey, Isabella, and Nicholas; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of Martha Pish, and extend our sincere condolences to her family, her friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Martha Pish as an expression of our deepest sympathy.

