WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Rosie Lee Lewis, who passed away on June 14, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Rosie Lewis was born in Georgiana, Alabama on December 15, 1924 to Melvin and Velma (nee Gipson) Mims, Sr.; she married Floyd C. Lewis in 1947 and they settled in Galesburg; and

WHEREAS, Rosie Lewis worked as a cook for Augie's Airport Inn for over 20 years and then at the Knox Manor Nursing Home; and

WHEREAS, Rosie Lewis was a member of Second Baptist Church, where she served on the Deaconess and Mother's Board; later, she joined Greater Heights Worship Center, where she was a charter member and a mother of the church; and

WHEREAS, Rosie Lewis enjoyed making quilts, cooking for family and friends, and attending church; and

WHEREAS, Rosie Lewis was preceded in death by her husband, Floyd; her parents; and her 2 brothers, Clyde Mimms and Melvin Mims, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, Rosie Lewis is survived by her 5 daughters, Frances Hawthorne, Rosie Tubbs, Viola (Andrew) Jowers, Sally (Leonard) Newson, and Rachael Parker; her son, Floyd (Barbara) Lewis; her 4 sisters, Dorothy (Earl) Wilson, Gloria Williams, Alice Smith, and Imeater Davison; her brother, Rev. John H. (Vickie) Mims; her 16 grandchildren; her 30 great-grandchildren; her 5 great-great-grandchildren; and a host of relatives and friends; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of Rosie Lee Lewis, and extend our sincere condolences to her family, 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 Rosie Lewis as an expression of our deepest sympathy.

