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**Greater Mankato Day at the Capitol this Wednesday**

Mankato, MINN (February 21, 2011) – This Wednesday, **February 23**, more than 150 individuals from the Greater Mankato business community will participate in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Greater Mankato Day at the Capitol. The event provides participants with an opportunity to meet with legislators from throughout the state and let them know all about the Greater Mankato business community and its impact on the state’s economy.

“We had incredible participation by the business community at last year’s inaugural event, and this year’s Greater Mankato Day at the Capitol promises to be even better,” said Jonathan Zierdt, President & CEO of Greater Mankato Growth.

The day will start with a gathering in the Rotunda of the Capitol at 2:45 p.m. Participants will then go out in teams to pre-scheduled meetings with legislators in their offices. The main event of the day is a Greater Mankato Reception in the Grand Atrium of the St. Paul City Center Hilton Garden Inn from 5:30 – 7 p.m., which will showcase the Greater Mankato region and the businesses and organizations that make up our vital business climate and illustrate its impact on the state’s economy and livability. The event will also feature a short presentation on Greater Mankato from 6:15 – 6:25 p.m.

To coincide with Greater Mankato Day at the Capitol, the MN Soybean Growers Association is also hosting a Special Dinner at the Hilton from 7:15 – 9 p.m., as well as providing transportation between the Capitol and Hilton for legislators and other participants.

**About Greater Mankato Growth**

Greater Mankato Growth (GMG) is committed to advancing business for a stronger community. As the Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development organization serving the regional marketplace, GMG advances business through: existing business support, new business growth, business promotion, talent development, public affairs, community marketing, visitor attraction and servicing and civic engagement.

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