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Minnesota State Demographer Tom Gillaspay to Speak on “The Aging Workforce”

MANKATO, Minn. (July 27, 2010) - Minnesota State Demographer Tom Gillaspay will speak on the impact older workers will continue to have on our economy in the coming years, on Wednesday, **August 4** from 8:00 to 9:30 a.m. at the Grater Mankato Business Development Center (formerly Technology Plus) at 1961 Premier Drive, Mankato. The event is being presented by WOW (Welcoming Older Workers), Greater Mankato Growth and the Minnesota River Area Agency on Aging, Inc.

The session is open to the public, with RSVP requested by emailing info@greatermankato.com or calling 507.385.6640. Continuing Educations Credits will be offered for attendees of this session.

Tom Gillaspay has served as the Minnesota State Demographer since 1979. During that time, he has been involved with a wide-ranging set of issue, applying an understanding of demographic trends in such areas as the state's economy, health care for an aging population, welfare reform, rural population change, labor shortages, government spending, and the aging state workforce. Tom received his Ph.D. in economics from the Pennsylvania State University, specializing in economic demography. He also holds a Masters Degree in agricultural economics. Born and raised in Texas, he received his undergraduate degree in economics from the University of Texas at Austin.

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