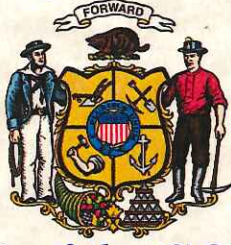


# STATE of WISCONSIN



## OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

# Proclamation

*WHEREAS*; Margaret Waterman and Helen Wing, both mothers of children with special needs and founders of Opportunities Inc., were determined to establish an industrious environment to promote vocational skills and social independence for people with special needs; and

*WHEREAS*; the result was a small workshop in Fort Atkinson, created in 1966, which offered productive work options for 30 individuals with disabilities; and

*WHEREAS*; today, Opportunities, Inc., with additional locations in Madison, Oconomowoc and Watertown, is celebrating its 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary by continuing to offer service choices both on-site and in the community for maximizing their clients' employment aspirations and independence with more than 450 participants obtaining and maintaining competitive jobs each year; and

*WHEREAS*; most recently, Opportunities, Inc. has expanded its workforce development services to include a regional system called "WORK SMART" that provides consulting, training and placement for dislocated workers; and

*WHEREAS*; Opportunities, Inc. also has a commercial services division that provides packaging and assembly, print and bindery options, and staffing solutions for over 150 area businesses; and

*WHEREAS*; Opportunities, Inc. and its clients rely on the collaborative efforts of community organizations, businesses and others to achieve their goals of job creation and social independence;

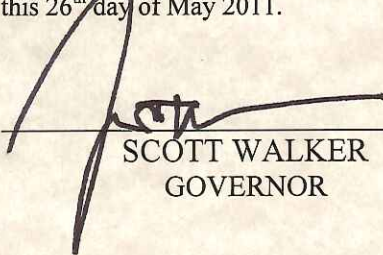
*NOW, THEREFORE*, I, Scott Walker, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,  
do hereby proclaim Thursday, July 28, 2011 as

## OPPORTUNITIES, INC. DAY


throughout the State of Wisconsin, and I commend this observance to all of our citizens.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 26<sup>th</sup> day of May 2011.

  
SCOTT WALKER  
GOVERNOR

By the Governor

  
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE  
Secretary of State