

STATE OF OHIO
Executive Department

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Columbus

In Recognition of

OHIO SOCIAL ENTREPRENEUR DAY

The Governor's Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives and the Ohio Department of Development's Entrepreneurship and Small Business Division have partnered to expand social entrepreneurship in the State.

The Division and Office have collaboratively launched the Ohio Social Entrepreneurship Initiative to provide information about financing and funding, as well as training resources to those low-profit ventures developed by for-profit and nonprofit organizations in response to a social problem.

In addressing an identified social problem, these low-profit ventures utilize entrepreneurial principles that can involve producing market value, earning revenue and employing the chronically underemployed.

Therefore, I, Ted Strickland, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby recognize February 17, 2010, as

OHIO SOCIAL ENTREPRENEUR DAY

throughout the State of Ohio in recognition of the exceptional community and economic contribution made by small business owners *who advocate for the employment of socially and economically disadvantaged Ohioans through the creation of jobs.*

I invite the citizens of Ohio to recognize and support the creation of jobs for this targeted group, which not only helps cushion the adverse economic effects impacting this constituency, but also efficiently draws on this group's previously underutilized skills, abilities and endowments to help Ohio's economy grow.

On this 17th day of February 2010



Ted Strickland
Governor of Ohio