

## **Loffler Companies CEO and President Jim Loffler Named Ernst & Young Entrepreneur Of The Year® 2011 Finalist**

BLOOMINGTON, MN, June 29, 2011 /PRWeb/ -- Loffler Companies today announced that CEO Jim Loffler was recognized as an Ernst & Young Entrepreneur Of The Year® 2011 finalist. According to Ernst & Young, the awards program recognizes entrepreneurs who demonstrate excellence and extraordinary success in such areas as innovation, financial performance and personal commitment to their businesses and communities. Jim was selected as a finalist from nearly 100 nominations by a panel of independent judges.

"It's truly an honor to be recognized by Ernst & Young for this prestigious award. The same entrepreneurial spirit that started this company 25 years ago thrives in each and every employee here. The mission of our employees is to exceed client expectations in everything we do. That and bringing to our clients the best office technology and services is what has made this company great," commented Loffler.

Recognized as one of the Fastest Growing Privately Held Companies in America by Inc. 500 Magazine, Loffler companies provides integrated office technology and services partnered with leading brands such as Canon, Konica Minolta, HP, Microsoft, NEC, and ShoreTel. Its offerings include multifunctional copiers, printers, managed print services, IP telephone systems, IT managed services, document management, dictation, call recorders, and on-site managed FM services.

The Ernst & Young Entrepreneur Of The Year Program celebrates its 25th anniversary this year. The program has expanded to recognize business leaders in more than 140 cities and more than 50 countries throughout the world. Regional award winners are eligible for consideration for the Entrepreneur Of The Year National Award. Award winners in several national categories, as well as the Entrepreneur Of The Year overall National Award winner, will be announced at the annual awards gala in Palm Springs, California, on November 12, 2011. The awards are the culminating event of the Ernst & Young Strategic Growth Forum®, the nation's most prestigious gathering of high-growth, market-leading companies, which will be held November 9–13, 2011.

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Entrepreneur Of The Year celebrates those who are building and leading successful, growing and dynamic businesses, recognizing them through regional, national and global awards programs in more than 140 cities in more than 50 countries.

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### **About Loffler Companies**

Founded in 1986 by Jim Loffler, Loffler Companies provides office technology and services to improve a client's productivity and bottom line results. Today, Loffler has 285 employees supporting clients in Minnesota and Western Wisconsin that are local, national, and international in scope. Loffler is recognized by multiple partners as one of the top 15 office technology and services dealers in the country. For more information about Loffler Companies and how it can help your organization succeed, you may contact Gary Volbert at 952-925-6816 or visit [www.loffler.com](http://www.loffler.com).

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