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Leading Print Executive Inducted Into 2006 Printing Impressions/RIT Printing Industry Hall Of Fame

COLUMBUS, Ohio—October 26, 2006—Hopkins Printing President/CEO Jim Hopkins was inducted into the 2006 Printing Impressions/Rochester Institute of Technology Printing Industry Hall of Fame Monday at the 19th Annual Gold Ink Awards Reception and Banquet in Chicago, Ill.

Each year four professionals from the printing and production industry in Canada and the United States are inducted into the Printing Impressions/RIT Hall of Fame. These individuals represent the best, and are honored for their outstanding achievements and contributions to the printing and publishing industries.

Upon graduating high school in 1959, Hopkins entered the U.S. Air Force. After serving the armed services, he entered a manufacturing job with a rolling bearing company, and then went to drafting school for two years. Harnessing his talents and skills learned through various trades, he opened a single press printing operation out of his garage. Progressing from quick printing to commercial printing, he turned Columbus, OH-based Hopkins Printing into a successful \$16 million commercial printer.

Hopkins said growing up in a blue-collar family instilled a great work ethic in him that helped propel him into the business and become one of the best in the industry.

“To be considered one of the best in the industry is quite an honor, said Hopkins. “In some ways, I’ve kind of lived the American Dream. I started a company in my garage and it’s grown into a multimillion-dollar business.”

Prior to being inducted into the Hall of Fame, Hopkins’ drive to succeed and hard work ethic have not gone unnoticed. He was named a 2000 Ernst & Young Master Entrepreneur of the Year for the Columbus/Central Ohio area; in 2001, he won the GATF Education Award of Excellence; and in 2005 he was inducted into the Junior Achievement Central Ohio Business Hall of Fame.

Hopkins is chairman of the Printing Industry Educational Foundation and has served on the board of his local PIA affiliate, PIANKO (Northern Kentucky and Ohio). He’s also involved with the Ohio Association of SkillsUSA, which sees industries partner with teachers and students to ensure the strength of future workforces.

About Hopkins Printing

Hopkins Printing is a leading high quality sheet-fed commercial printer in Central Ohio with over \$16 million in annual sales. Family-owned and operated for over 29 years, Hopkins has been named Best Workplace in America by Printing Industry of America and has received the Better Business Bureau Integrity Award.

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