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**Screening of Documentary Film on Alcoholics Anonymous'
Co-Founder to be Held Sept. 24 in Bismarck**

BISMARCK, N.D. – As part of Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month proclaimed by Gov. Jack Dalrymple, the Governor's Prevention Advisory Council on Drugs and Alcohol is recognizing a documentary screening that chronicles the life of William G. Wilson, co-founder of Alcoholics Anonymous. The event will take place on Monday, Sept. 24, 2012, at the Grand 15 Theatres, 1486 Interstate Loop, in Bismarck. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. with the documentary beginning at 7 p.m.

The newly released documentary, titled "Bill W.," tells the story about a man who was included in TIME Magazine's "100 Persons of the 20th Century." *Bill W.* is not yet rated in the U.S.; it has been rated in Canada, however, where it has received a rating equivalent to the U.S. rating of PG-13. The movie includes interviews and other rare material that reveal how Wilson found a way out of his own addiction to help others recover from alcohol abuse. The official movie trailer is online at www.page124.com.

Following the documentary screening, there will be a panel discussion led by local addiction experts in the theater.

Tickets are \$9.25 and can be purchased either online through Heartview Foundation at billw@heartview.org or at the Grand 15 Theatres. For more information on the event, call 701-222-0386 or 1-800-337-3160.

The Governor's Prevention Advisory Council on Drugs and Alcohol leads a multi-system prevention effort that draws upon resources and talents at the community, state, and federal levels. Council information is available online at http://governor.nd.gov/boards/boards-query.asp?Board_ID=151 or by contacting the N.D. Department of Human Services at 701-328-8920, toll-free 800-755-2719 or ND Relay TTY 800-366-6888.

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