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**MOTHERCODERS COMES TO NEW YORK CITY: WOMEN.NYC AND GOOGLE
ADVANCE DIVERSITY WITH WOMEN'S TECH TRAINING PROGRAM**

NEW YORK – Today Deputy Mayor Alicia Glen, MotherCoders Founder and CEO Tina Lee, and Google announced a partnership to bring the MotherCoders tech training program to New York City, as part of the City's Women.nyc initiative. Hosted in partnership with New York Public Libraries, Brooklyn Public Libraries, and Queens Public Libraries, MotherCoders will offer a nine-week tech training program tailored to women with college degrees and work experience – with free on-site child care. Applications will open on November 15, with the first cohort of students beginning in February 2019. This is the first time MotherCoders training will take place outside the Bay Area.

"The diversity of our talent is what sets NYC's tech sector apart, and makes it one of our fastest-growing industries. We need to do all we can to connect talented people with tech opportunities - including mothers, who have historically been underrepresented in the field. MotherCoders innovative combination of training and child care takes that issue head on, helping us to build a tech ecosystem that is truly representative of NYC," said **Deputy Mayor Alicia Glen**.

"We are working hard to foster the country's most dynamic, inclusive tech sector, and we must ensure that all women can gain the skills needed to succeed," said **NYCEDC President and CEO James Patchett**. "By providing tech training and on-site child care, Mothercoders and Google are breaking down longstanding barriers and opening up middle-class career pathways for more New York women. We applaud this creative model and are proud to welcome these trailblazers to our city."

"We're excited to be working with Women.nyc and Google NYC to help women with kids jumpstart careers in tech -- our country's fastest growing economic sector. This effort will not only grow and diversify the City's tech talent pool by activating women who are ready to help businesses innovate and compete, it'll lead to greater economic prosperity for families and the wider community, yielding benefits for generations to come," said **Tina Lee, Founder and CEO of MotherCoders**.

"Google has been proud to support the amazing work of MotherCoders for the last three years and we're thrilled to now welcome them to the NYC community. Creating opportunities for

everyone and increasing access to CS Education is something we have in common with MotherCoders and Women.nyc and we can't wait to see the impact this program has on women across the city," said **Carley Graham Garcia, Head of External Affairs for Google NYC**.

Designed for moms who are re-entering the workforce, entrepreneurs, or already working, MotherCoders gives students HTML, CSS, and Javascript skills, while preparing them for tech careers by giving them hands-on industry knowledge with company visits, in-depth explorations of marketplace trends and issues, and a built-in network of learning moms. On-site childcare is a key part of the MotherCoders approach. By providing fully vetted, professional childcare, the program freed moms to focus completely on their study during class. Apply [here](#).

"As a mom who works in tech, I intimately understand the challenges of building a career in this field and commend the City and Google for bringing MotherCoders to New York," said **Julie Samuels, Executive Director of Tech:NYC**. "As New York's technology sector continues to grow, we must do more to ensure that all New Yorkers have access to the good jobs being created by tech companies. There are many great efforts across the City working on this problem, but I'm particularly excited to welcome MotherCoders, as it will create the space and provide the support moms need to gain access to these high growth jobs."

"Brooklyn Public Library is committed to helping all Brooklynites learn new skills, advance their careers, and navigate the ever-evolving world of tech," said **Linda E. Johnson, President and CEO of Brooklyn Public Library**. "We look forward to teaming up with Women.NYC, MotherCoders, and Google to ensure all this and more is possible for hardworking Brooklyn mothers."

"We look forward to working with MotherCoders to extend their reach and offer our customers a new learning opportunity that can transform their lives," said **Queens Library President and CEO Dennis M. Walcott**.

"The Mother Coders training program offered by the Women.NYC initiative will provide a wealth of support to women who face significant career challenges due to balancing family needs and the rapidly changing advancements in technology. The New York Public Library has been proud to provide free technology training programs at our branches throughout the system and greatly encouraged by the enterprising women who make up the majority of students that take our classes. We understand these programs serve as important digital equalizers and we're thrilled to welcome a wonderful partner in this effort," said **Maggie Jacobs, Director of Educational Programs, New York Public Library**.

New York City has vibrant and diverse tech ecosystem, which represented over 326,000 jobs at the end of 2016. Approximately 47% of New York City's tech workers are born outside the United States. The City's now has more than 7,000 startups, with over 100 incubators where startups can grow. To further diversify and strengthen the city's tech sector, the de Blasio Administration unveiled plans for the Union Square Tech Training Center, a 240,000 square foot project providing accessible tech training and space for companies to grow and hire within the building. The Tech Training Center will feature a tech-focused workforce development center, civic technology co-working space at Civic Hall, flexible space for growing startups, and

market-rate office space for established tech companies. The Tech Training Center is expected to create over 600 quality jobs in Union Square and is a key component of Mayor de Blasio's New York Works plan.

ABOUT WOMEN.NYC

When women succeed, the Greatest City in the World gets greater. That's why we launched Women.NYC, a groundbreaking initiative that not only inspires women to advance in their careers, but also provides them with the real tools they need to succeed. From free, expert legal and financial resources to mentorship to grants, Women.NYC offers a growing portfolio of resources for working women – and builds on the successful policies that have made New York the best city for working women. Join millions of women across the five boroughs, and make your #NYCPowerMove with Women.NYC

ABOUT MOTHERCODERS

MotherCoders is expanding the tech talent pool by activating women with college degrees and work experience who are ready to contribute -- mothers. Through our part-time, 9-week technology training program, which includes on-site childcare, as well as community events and workshops, we provide women with kids the opportunity to build the skills, knowledge, and professional network needed to move into our economy's fastest-growing employment sector. Learn more at mothercoders.org

ABOUT GOOGLE

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