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WITH METS' GAME 3 WIN, CITY NOW PROJECTS METS POST-SEASON TO GENERATE \$81.2 MILLION FOR NYC'S ECONOMY

Each World Series home game to generate \$11.6 million

Yankees postseason generated another \$13 million in economic activity

NEW YORK—Mayor Bill de Blasio today announced that with last night's win in Game 3 of the World Series, the New York Mets postseason is projected to generate \$81.2 million for the city's economy. The updated analysis of the New York City Economic Development Corporation (NYCEDC) accounts for ticket sales, as well as spending from nearly 30,000 visitors from outside of New York City per game, and additional earnings for seasonal employees at Citi Field. That spending is stimulating the local economy and generating worker wages that get reinvested across the city.

"We believed, and last night was a reminder why this team deserves to be in the World Series. None of us need another reason to root for the Amazin' Mets. But we could not be more thrilled with the jobs and economic bounce the team has brought back home to NYC with every postseason game," said **Mayor Bill de Blasio**.

"The impact of the New York Mets postseason run transcends baseball," said **NYCEDC President Maria Torres-Springer**. "Besides uniting our City in blue and orange, Mets games are providing a huge economic benefit that stimulates the local economy and provides opportunities for New Yorkers. I can't wait to see the continued benefits of three more postseason wins."

"Big events like the World Series attract visitors who may book rooms, eat out, explore neighborhoods and go shopping," said **Fred Dixon, President and CEO of NYC & Company**. "But the value of hosting big events goes far beyond immediate economic impact. It adds to the City's vibrancy and appeal, and with so many eyes on New York City during the World Series, people from out of town may be reminded that a visit is long overdue and be inspired to come here months after the World Series is over."

Together, 2015 Major League Baseball postseason games will generate an economic impact of at least \$94.2 million for the City of New York, including the American League Wild Card game which took place at Yankee Stadium, which generated an economic impact of \$13 million.

The City of New York reached an all-time record 56.4 million visitors last year, generating a record \$61 billion in overall economic impact, supporting 362,000 jobs and \$21 billion in wages. The City's hotel inventory includes more than 105,000 hotel rooms, while selling a record 32.5 million total hotel room nights, an all-time high. Major events like the Major League Baseball playoffs contribute to the economic impact of visitation and visitor spending.

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