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The Women of Color Network, Inc. Enters New Partnership with Uber Uber Pledges \$5 Million to Raise Awareness and Prevent Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence

(Harrisburg, PA) – The Women of Color Network, Inc. (WOCN, Inc.), a national organization working to end violence against ALL women by centralizing the voices and leadership of women of color, has partnered with Uber and several other national groups to raise awareness and prevent sexual assault and domestic violence. Uber announced today a five million dollar commitment over five years as part of its “Driving Change” campaign that encompasses -both internal and external sexual assault and domestic violence awareness and prevention initiatives in partnership with leading groups Raliance, the National Network to End Domestic Violence (NNEDV) and NO MORE.

The \$5 million commitment over five years will fund programmatic partnerships focused on prevention. An initial portion of the funding will go to partners Raliance, NNEDV, Women of Color Network, Inc., Casa de Esperanza, A CALL TO MEN, The National Coalition of Anti-Violence Programs and NO MORE. Our partners and the funding will also help address critical funding gaps with marginalized communities who are often the most underfunded.

“We, at Women of Color Network, Inc., are extremely excited for this groundbreaking partnership with Uber and associated organizations,” stated Tonya Lovelace, CEO of Women of Color Network, Inc. “This is an amazing opportunity for WOCN, Inc. and other national culturally specific organizations to support Uber in their quest to directly reach those who are historically marginalized based on race, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, faith, immigration status and other identities, and who experience sexual assault, domestic violence and other forms of intersecting violence at greater proportions than mainstream communities, but are least likely to feel the impact of funding. We look forward to being a catalyst in this effort.”

WOCN, Inc. will utilize its broad national network to hold listening sessions with women of color, marginalized communities and aspiring allies to discuss sexual assault, trafficking and gender-based violence, public/private transportation, and prevention and safety implications for those on the margins of the margins across Sovereign Nations, United States, and U.S. Territories. WOCN, Inc. will draw from this information to develop two fact sheets and important information with Uber, as well as riders and drivers as a part of the roll-out of these materials, and will also share these materials in the field at large.

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The Women of Color Network, Inc. is a national grassroots advocacy organization that focuses on addressing the unique challenges facing women of color advocates and activists within the violence against women movement. The mission of the Women of Color Network (WOCN Inc.) is to eliminate violence against ALL women and their communities by centralizing the voices and promoting the leadership of women of color across the Sovereign Nations, the United States and U.S. Territories.

The purpose of WOCN, Inc. is to work in and beyond the fields of domestic violence and sexual assault to address a broad range of violence affecting communities of color such as human trafficking, police brutality and over-incarceration. We accomplish this by examining and responding to a global context of colonialism, imperialism, capitalism, racism, sexism, heterosexism, transphobia, and other forms of oppression that intersect with violence against women of color and their communities.

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