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MICROSOFT TO ANNOUNCE NEXT MAJOR GIFT TO THE DISCOVERY

Microsoft's continued support of The Discovery fuels technology learning opportunities

WHAT:

As part of the opening remarks at the 8th annual DigiGirlz Camp, Microsoft Reno General Manager, Owen Roberts will announce Microsoft's next gift in its continued support of the Terry Lee Wells Nevada Discovery Museum (The Discovery).

WHEN:

Thursday, July 20, 2017, 8:30 a.m.

WHERE:

8th Annual DigiGirlz Camp
University of Nevada, Reno
1664 N. Virginia Street
Ansari Business Building, Room AB 102

DETAILS:

Microsoft's Americas Operations Center in Reno began supporting The Discovery in 2015 with an initial CyberGrant of \$125,000. That initial funding helped create the *STEM Lab Powered by Microsoft* at The Discovery. The technology enabled lab space at the museum allows visitors and students visiting on school field trips the opportunity to explore hands-on educational programming in STEM concepts, as well as computer science (CS) curriculum and training initiatives. The Discovery was the first organization in Northern Nevada to receive a CyberGrant from Microsoft.

Microsoft is committed to making a noticeable impact in Northern Nevada by creating opportunities for all youth to learn not only information communications technology, but also computer science, teaching them about the world around them, empowering them to become well-informed citizens and imaginative creators in our complex and ever-changing global society.

INTERVIEWS:

- Owen Roberts, General Manager, Microsoft's Americas Operations Center
- Mat Sinclair, President/CEO, Terry Lee Wells Nevada Discovery Museum (The Discovery)

Please contact Patrick Turner, The Discovery, at 775-560-5505 or <mailto:pturner@nvdn.org> to arrange media coverage.

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ABOUT THE DISCOVERY

The Discovery creates interest and engagement in science for all. Through unique, hands-on programs and exhibits, The Discovery creates learning experiences that range from simple curiosity to deep understanding, empowering a community of critical thinkers. The Discovery is a locally founded 501(c)3 nonprofit organization. To learn more about The Discovery and how you can help support the museum's mission, visit nvdn.org.

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