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Marguerite Williams Joins Attack Poverty as new CEO, Bringing Over 25 Years of Experience and Service to Lead the Organization into the Future.

Houston, TX– Attack Poverty is excited to announce that Marguerite Williams, a seasoned leader with over 25 years of experience in both for-profit and non-profit management, has joined our organization. Motivated by her faith, Marguerite has dedicated her career to making a positive impact in the lives of others through leadership, service, and partnership building within the community.

Marguerite's professional journey includes a successful career with J.P. Morgan Chase, where she served as the Government Not-for-Profit Area Manager. During her tenure, she led a team that provided financial resources to non-profit organizations, supporting their sustainability through capital access for equipment, paycheck protection, real estate, and working capital loans. Her efforts empowered numerous organizations to thrive in challenging environments. Following her tenure, Marguerite continued to serve in non-profit and for-profit roles.

In her continued commitment to community service, Marguerite has played key roles with the American Red Cross for over 15 years, serving in positions such as board member, executive director, and regional volunteer services officer. Her leadership has streamlined processes, improved efficiency, and increased volunteer engagement, contributing to the organization's overall success.

Beyond her professional work, Marguerite has dedicated her time to serving on various boards, including the Houston Area Urban League, where she currently holds the position of treasurer, and the American Red Cross, where she chairs the BioMed Committee. She is also a sustaining member of the Junior League of Houston and has provided leadership and expertise to several other organizations, including the Greater Houston Black Chamber, Collaborative for Children, and the Fort Bend Chamber of Commerce.

Marguerite's leadership has been recognized with numerous awards, including the American Women in Computing Top Women in Technology Leadership Award, the Top 50 Professionals and Entrepreneurs Award, and the YMCA's Minority Achiever Award. She has been a sought-after speaker and panelist on topics related to community and economic opportunity, sharing her insights with groups such as the American Heart Association, Houston Area Urban League, and Walker's Legacy.

With academic credentials that include a BBA in accounting from the University of Houston-Downtown and an MBA from LeTourneau University, Marguerite is also a graduate of

several prestigious leadership programs, including Project Blueprint, Leadership Houston, and The Center for Houston's Future.

Marguerite's deep faith has guided her involvement in ministry, where she has served in children's, discipleship, and new member ministries. She has pursued seminary studies and holds a women's ministry graduate certificate, along with training in chaplaincy through Houston Methodist Hospital.

"Marguerite's passion, experience, and leadership will help us strengthen the foundation of our work at Attack Poverty and create lasting impact in the communities we serve," said Nick Vann, Board Chair of Attack Poverty. "We are excited to see the difference her leadership will make as we continue to advance our mission."

Marguerite and her husband Troy have two children, a son-in-law, and five granddaughters. Her family and faith remain a cornerstone of her life and work, inspiring her commitment to service.

For more information about Attack Poverty and our mission, please visit www.attackpoverty.org or contact Nick Vann at board@attackpoverty.org.

About Attack Poverty:

Attack Poverty is a global organization that empowers people to attack poverty in their life and community by strengthening under-resourced communities through ***spiritual growth, education, revitalization, and basic needs***.

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