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**INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY GIANT BDPA RECEIVES SPONSORSHIP
BACKING FROM ORACLE**

(Largo, MD) – IT Giant Black Data Processing Associates (BDPA) received sponsorship backing from Oracle, one of the 25 Biggest IT companies on the 2015 Fortune 500 list, for BDPA'S 38th Annual National Technology Conference and Career Fair on August 10-13, 2016, at the Westin Peachtree Plaza Hotel, 210 Peachtree Street, Atlanta, Georgia.

Mike Williams, National BDPA President stated, "Oracle is a leading technology provider who continues to partner with us and support our mission and objectives. We are delighted to have them as a partner again this year."

Located in Redwood City, CA., Oracle specializes in marketing and developing software products, including database management systems. "Fostering an inclusive work environment makes us a stronger company and a better place to work. Our focus is on recruiting, hiring, developing, retaining, and advancing the best and the brightest talent around the world. Oracle's workforce is very diverse with female managers, female employees, and minority managers representing, 25%, 29%, and 34% of the staff respectively" (www.oracle.com).

David Ortiz, Oracle Senior Diversity and Inclusion consultant said, "Oracle is proud to sponsor BDPA and supports its efforts to champion the next generation of IT leaders. We believe that a talented, diverse and inclusive workforce with a broad range of experiences drives creativity, productivity, innovation and business success."

Founded in 1975, BDPA has 46 chapters in the U.S, making it the largest African American IT association in the country. The organization continues to bridge the digital divide by providing training and career growth opportunities for its members. Register online up to 100 applicants at BDPA's free Career Fair at <http://www.prodivnet.com/events/bdpa-technology-conference-and-career-fair>.

BDPA's Career Fair is Friday, August 12, 12pm-6pm and Saturday, August 13, 2016, 10am-3pm. It is free and open to the public. The Ribbon Cutting Ceremony starts at 12 noon on Friday. Expecting 40 Fortune 500 companies, BDPA is excited about bringing one-stop interview opportunities to IT applicants.

For more details on the BDPA corporate sponsorship program, contact the corporate sales support team at (301) 584-3135 ext. 108 or corpsales@bdpa.org. Additionally, please visit www.bpdpa.org. -60-