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CREW New York hosts New York City's Powerful Women in Real Estate at Club 101

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New York, NY Commercial Real Estate Women (CREW) of New York hosted its annual New York City's Powerful Women In Commercial Real Estate on March 7 at Club 101. Karen Haycox, CEO, Habitat for Humanity delivered a powerful introductory speech and video on the WomenBuild program and its upcoming event May 21. "Participants find that working on a WomenBuild program is something that changes you forever. On my worst day I can drive by one of the homes I built with other women, and see bicycles in the yard, curtains in the windows, and life behind those walls and my whole outlook changes." For information, consider attending the next WomenBuild event. For details go to <https://www.habitatnyc.org/rising-to-the-top>.



Shown (from left) are: 2016 CREW New York president Theresa Garelli, panelists Brittany Bragg and Kathleen McCarthy, moderator Lisa Knee, CREW programs chair Caroline Hannigan, 2017 CREW New York president Michele O'Connor, panelists Robin Sorid and Abby Hamlin. Photo Credit: Howard Wechsler, Wexphoto

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introduction, panelists from New York's Real Estate community spoke on various developments throughout the city. Speakers included Lisa Knee (partner, EisnerAmper LLP) – moderator Brittany Bragg (COO, Crown Acquisitions) – panelist Robyn Sorid (co-founder & managing principal – G4 Capital Partners) – panelist Abby Hamlin (president – Hamlin Ventures) – panelist Kathleen McCarthy (senior managing director & COO, Blackstone Real Estate).

The panelists discussed their current projects and outlook for the future of the market. They also mentioned the reasons they entered real estate in the first place: "I chose real estate development because I love to build and create and buildings

are my canvas," said Hamlin.

“Real Estate is a very large asset class that you can invest in throughout the globe, and that was very appealing to me,” said McCarthy.

Projects discussed by the group included the BatCave in Brooklyn, various retail properties including 717 Fifth Ave., Manhattan, Roslyn Landing, Roslyn, as well as the speakers’ thoughts on acquisitions, development and finance.

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