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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

CITY UNION OF BALTIMORE STATEMENT ON DEATH OF EMPLOYEE AT WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

Baltimore, MD- All of us here at the City Union of Baltimore (CUB) are deeply saddened at the tragic death of Trina Cunningham. Beyond being a CUB member and faithful employee of the city of Baltimore she was a wife, mother, sister, and daughter. Each of her colleagues spoke highly of her commitment and dedication to the job. It pains us that a person with so much life ahead of them dies so young and tragically.

This also calls into question workplace safety protocols for the women and men who make sure our public works are safe for us. Each employee, private or public, deserves a safe work environment to do their job. While this is the first fatality at this facility that we know of, any fatality at the workplace is unacceptable. Our employees deserve to have working conditions that are fully compliant with state and federal regulations.

We await the results of the investigation and pending those results we look forward to working with AFSCME and the Office of the Labor Commissioner to ensure each and every worksite is safe and healthy for city employees.

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