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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

**STATEMENT FROM CITY UNION OF BALTIMORE PRESIDENT
ANTOINETTE RYAN-JOHNSON ON THE ASSAULT ON A CAFETERIA
WORKER AT NATIONAL ACADEMY FOUNDATION MIDDLE/HIGH
SCHOOL**

Baltimore, MD- The assault of one of our members of the City Union of Baltimore (CUB) underscores the need for safe and secure schools for everyone from students, to teachers, to school staff. It is heartbreaking to know that a disagreement over milk can trigger students to violence. CUB is working aggressively with law enforcement, school administration, and all other parties to ensure our members are safe while working.

In that vein, CUB will be joining with our fellow AFT-Maryland members in the Baltimore Teachers Union on the school safety task force being that's being assembled. There, we will connect with community leaders, clergy, parents, and legislators to find solutions to the violence in our schools and workplaces, and provide a safe learning and working environment for the students and school employees of Baltimore city.

We know students in our city grapple with a myriad of challenges each day before they even reach the school doors. That does not excuse violence against teachers and staff. CUB finds this violence against our members abhorrent and we will find a way to secure the safety of those who work in service to our city.

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