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## YWCA White Plains & Central Westchester releases a statement about the passing of two beloved residents.

**February 16, White Plains, NY** – The YWCA White Plains & Central Westchester is mourning the loss of two residents who resided at the YWCA Women's Residence on North Broadway in White Plains. Our thoughts and condolences go out to the families affected during this difficult time.

The top priority is the well-being of everyone in the YWCA community. The Women's residence is home to 193 women and is dedicated to creating a safe haven that offers wrap around services to support the personal and professional development of all the women that call 69 North Broadway home. The organization has implemented and continues to strengthen measures to ensure the safety and support of the residents.

The YWCA White Plains and Central Westchester knows that mental health and substance abuse aren't confined to geography, identity, or socioeconomic status. We are committed to bringing awareness to our residents, and the wider community, surrounding these national epidemics. Given recent tragedies and similar events nationwide, the organization is currently in contact with community partners in the mental health and substance abuse sectors to educate and lead a conversation about these issues, and how we can come together to offer support to those who are struggling.

If you would like to be a part of the conversation, please contact Tiffany S.W. Hamilton at ceo@ywcawpcw.org.

**About YWCA White Plains & Central Westchester:** Since its founding in 1929, the YWCA White Plains & Central Westchester has been a pioneer for social change through innovative programs that improve the lives of women and girls in Westchester. The YWCA's mission is to eliminate racism, empower women and promote peace, justice, freedom, and dignity for all.

With two locations in White Plains, an activity center, and a residence for women, each week the YWCA serves thousands of women, children, and their families each year. For nearly 100 years, the YWCA has been making a difference in the lives of women, children, and families in White Plains and Westchester through three core program areas: Empowerment & Economic Advancement, Racial Justice, and Health & Wellness/Safety. For more information about the YWCA White Plains & Central Westchester, please visit their website at ywcawpcw.org.

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