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CCRB Chair Maya D. Wiley, Esq. Denounces President Trump's Remarks on Police Violence

New York, NY – Civilian Complaint Review Board (CCRB) Chair Maya D. Wiley, Esq. issued the following statement in response to President Donald Trump's speech to police officers in Long Island, NY:

"Our president today seemingly called on officers to eschew their duty while lauding police violence. As Chair of the Civilian Complaint Review Board, we work every day to hold officers accountable for misconduct. President Trump's comments fly in the face of the responsibility our City's officers display in the line of duty. But for many communities in our City, President Trump's comments only stokes fears of interacting with officers. President Trump's speech today was shameful, dangerous, and damages the progress our City has made toward improving police-community relations. No act of police violence or other misconduct, where proven, will go unanswered by the CCRB."

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The New York City Civilian Complaint Review Board (CCRB) is the largest police oversight entity in the nation and is empowered to investigate, mediate, prosecute, and recommend disciplinary action for complaints alleging misconduct by NYPD officers. See NYC Charter § 440(c)(1). The agency's jurisdiction includes excessive and unnecessary force, abuse of authority, discourtesy, and use of offensive language. To further this mission, CCRB issues monthly, biannual, and special statistical and qualitative reports analyzing trends and recurring issues arising from the many thousands of civilian complaints it receives