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MAYOR ADAMS' STATEMENT ON TRAGIC DEATH OF ASYLUM SEEKER YESTERDAY

NEW YORK – New York City Mayor Eric Adams today released the following statement after the tragic death of an asylum seeker in a shelter yesterday:

"The thousands of asylum seekers we have seen arrive in our city came to this country seeking a better life. Sadly though, yesterday, an asylum seeker in one of our facilities took her own life. Our hearts break for this young woman and any loved ones she may have, and we, as a city mourn her. This tragedy is a reminder that we have an obligation to do everything in our power to help those in need.

"Among other services available at the Asylum Seeker Resource Navigation Center is mental health care. I encourage all asylum seekers who need mental health support to utilize these services, and anyone in our city struggling with anxiety, depression, or mental health challenges of any kind to call 888-NYC-WELL. We are here for you."

By law, the city is prohibited from sharing further information at this time.

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