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Official Statement: Addressing the Incident at Melrose Towers

The Roanoke Redevelopment and Housing Authority (RRHA) is deeply saddened by the tragic and unacceptable incident that occurred outside Melrose Towers yesterday. The safety and well-being of our residents are of utmost importance, and we are actively cooperating with local authorities who are conducting a thorough investigation into the matter. We are committed to assisting law enforcement in any way possible to ensure a comprehensive examination of the events that transpired.

In the aftermath of this unfortunate incident, we are providing counseling services to support our elderly community members who may have been affected by this distressing event. Our focus is on helping them cope with the emotional impact and providing the necessary resources to facilitate healing.

We express our gratitude that none of our residents were physically harmed during this incident, and we are working diligently to ensure that our community remains a safe and secure place for all. We understand the gravity of this situation and assure our residents that their well-being is our top priority. The Roanoke Redevelopment and Housing Authority is committed to maintaining open lines of communication and transparency as we navigate through this challenging time together.

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