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### **DPE Mourns the Passing of AFSA President Diann Woodard**

WASHINGTON, May 8, 2018—In response to the news of the passing of American Federation of School Administrators (AFSA) President Diann Woodard, Department for Professional Employees, AFL-CIO (DPE) President Paul E. Almeida issued the following statement:

“President Woodard was a vocal advocate for school administrators and professional union members. Through her 36-year career as a teacher, guidance counselor, assistant principal, trustee, and leader of the national union for school administrators, President Woodard dedicated her life to public education and enriching the lives of young people.

I’m grateful to have had the privilege of knowing and working with Diann. My condolences are with her family, friends and AFSA colleagues during this difficult time.”

#### About DPE

The Department for Professional Employees, AFL-CIO (DPE) is a coalition of 24 unions representing over four million professional and technical union members. DPE affiliate unions represent professionals in over 300 occupations in education and healthcare; science, engineering, and technology; legal, business, and management; media, entertainment, and the arts; and public administration.