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WHO: The Washington Teachers' Union in conjunction with members and teachers, other Washington, DC public employee union members and leaders, parents and key stakeholders from all over the city.

WHAT: "I Support Teachers" - *United For DC Kids* Community Outreach Walk is a neighborhood walk in support of DC public school teachers.

WHEN: Saturday, April 25th
9:30 am – noon

WHERE: United House of Prayer Charlotte Mission
1721 7th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20001

WHY: This is a critical time in our city for improving education and reforming schools. The people of the District of Columbia care about our children and their future. When we stand in support of teachers who work in public schools, we're helping our children succeed. The WTU is bringing key stakeholders together to canvass various neighborhoods throughout the District with yard and window signs in support of DC public school teachers.

BACKGROUND: The Washington Teachers' Union (WTU) represents more than 4,000 DC public schools teachers and is dedicated to improving the quality of support, resources, compensation and working environment for DCPS teachers so that they can provide a quality education for all District of Columbia public school children. The WTU launched the *United For DC Kids* campaign to inform the public about the bold and progressive contract proposal recently submitted to DC Public Schools that is good for kids and fair to teachers.

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