Washington, D.C. - Congresswoman Melissa Bean (IL-08) released the following statement upon learning of the shooting at Northern Illinois University:

“Along with the families of our community and my colleagues in Congress, I was shocked and deeply saddened to hear about the tragedy that occurred at Northern Illinois University today. As my husband and I have been exploring college options with our daughters, this hits particularly close to home, and my heart goes out to the victims and their families. All of us here in Northern Illinois and across the country will keep the NIU community in our thoughts as they take the first steps forward to search for answers and begin to heal in the wake of this senseless act of violence.”

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