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DGS Closes Virginia War Memorial Carillon for Renovations Ahead of 2018 Commemoration

~ Carillon will reopen for 100th anniversary of Armistice Day ~

RICHMOND, VA – The Department of General Services (DGS) announced today it has closed the Virginia War Memorial Carillon in preparation for renovations that will be completed by November 2018 for the 100th anniversary of the end of World War I.

A fence will be erected around the facility, and the Carillon will remain inaccessible to the public until November 2018. Renovations will include exterior repairs, elevator replacement, masonry repointing, window restoration and other interior and exterior improvements.

The Carillon is the Commonwealth's monument to the approximately 3,700 Virginia men and women who died as a result of World War I. Dedicated in 1932, the 240-foot tower in Richmond's Byrd Park houses fixed bronze bells that are played for special occasions. The Carillon is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and is a Virginia Historic Landmark.

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