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DGS opens spots in parking deck to visitors of Capitol Square, state agencies

~ 120 spaces available near Capitol visitor entrance ~

RICHMOND, Va. – The Department of General Services (DGS) announced today that it has reconfigured a state parking deck to include 120 parking spots for visitors to the Capitol, Capitol Square and state agencies located in the area.

The visitor spaces will be available inside the parking deck at the corner of 9th and Franklin streets in Richmond. Parking is \$5 an hour, with a maximum of \$20 per day, and must be paid via credit card. The parking deck will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding state holidays.

“The new visitor parking spaces are conveniently located close to Capitol Square and the visitor entrance to the Capitol,” said **Joe Damico, Director of the Department of General Services**. “Our hope is that these parking spaces make it easier to visit Capitol Square and our state agencies located here, as well more convenient for those who come to take part in the legislative process.”

Access to the visitor parking is from 9th Street, with the exit on 8th Street. Visitors will receive a ticket when they enter, and that ticket is required to exit the deck. The ticket also will be required for entry into the facility, so visitors must keep their tickets on them at all times. The pedestrian entrance is located at the corner of 9th and Franklin streets, and this will be the only entry into the garage after 7 p.m. Those with lost tickets will be charged the daily rate of \$20.

Visitor parking spots are available on a first-come, first-served basis. The spaces accommodate compact and mid-size vehicles, and the clearance to the facility is 6 feet, 5 inches.

DGS provides laboratory, procurement, real estate, and engineering and architectural services for state agencies, as well as fleet vehicle management, graphic design, surplus property disposal, and mail services at the seat of government. The agency also manages the facilities and grounds at Capitol Square, as well as the state employee parking program that includes over 8,000 users in 21 locations.

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