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DGS to close Capitol Square Wednesday for reconvened legislative session

*~ House of Delegates to meet outside on historic grounds
amid COVID-19 public health emergency ~*

Richmond, VA – The Department of General Services (DGS) will close Capitol Square Wednesday, April 22, for the outdoor meeting of the Virginia House of Delegates during the constitutionally required reconvened session of the General Assembly. The House will meet outside and use social distancing standards required as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Some walkways around the Virginia Capitol will be inaccessible beginning Monday, April 20, to accommodate setup for the reconvened session.

Capitol Square will close at 11 p.m. on Tuesday, April 21, and remain closed until 6 a.m. on Thursday, April 23, or until the House has adjourned the reconvened session. Visitor parking in the 9th and Franklin Deck will be closed on Wednesday.

Capitol Square has remained open during the COVID-19 public health emergency; however, DGS and the Division of Capitol Police will continue to monitor gatherings on the grounds to ensure visitors are practicing social distancing and following executive orders issued by Governor Ralph Northam.

For more information on the reconvened session, visit <https://viriniageneralassembly.gov/>.

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