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General Assembly Building tunnel construction to close section of 9th Street

~ 9th Street between Grace and Broad streets will be closed May 28 through the end of June ~

Richmond, VA – The Department of General Services next week will begin digging a pedestrian tunnel under 9th Street as part of the General Assembly Building project, and the work will impact travel on a section of the street through the end of June.

Beginning on Tuesday, May 28, all lanes of 9th Street between Grace and Broad streets will close to traffic. A pedestrian walkway will remain accessible. DGS anticipates the lane closure will remain in place through at least the end of June. The closure will include the following changes to nearby streets:

- All northbound traffic on Ninth Street will be redirected west at Grace Street.
- The eastbound lanes of Grace Street will end at 8th Street; northbound traffic should use 7th Street and southbound traffic will be diverted on 8th Street.
- No public street parking will be allowed from 8th to 9th streets on Grace Street.

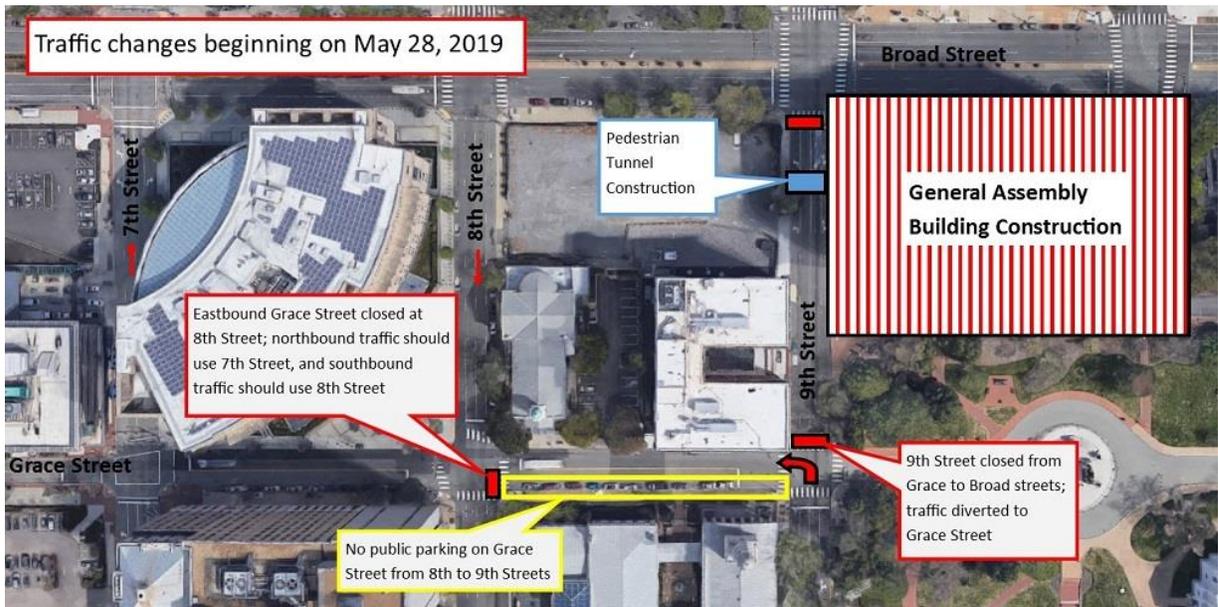
DGS is working with the City of Richmond to reroute traffic around that area. Drivers and pedestrians should use caution and observe any traffic control signage.

“Our primary concern during this and any of our construction projects is the safety of our people doing the work and the public who may be nearby,” said **Joe Damico, Director of the Department of General Services**. “We are working with the City to mitigate any traffic impacts, and we thank everyone in advance for their patience as we work to ensure a safe work

environment.”

When complete, the pedestrian tunnel will connect the new General Assembly Building and a new parking garage that will be built at the corner of 9th and Broad streets.

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*A copy of this map is attached as a .jpeg.

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