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To: All HU Community

Subject: **2019 Commencement Traffic & Parking Bulletin**

1. We at the HU Police Department offer our heartiest congratulations to the HU Class of 2019 – we hope you feel HUPD members can be counted among those who have contributed to your having had a great outcome here at Hampton!

2. Commencement is HU's largest event, which necessitates some adjustments to traffic and parking - this bulletin is to help you understand what we'll do and why.

### 3. **Inbound Traffic and Arriving.**

- Inbound traffic is always very heavy - **get here early** and allow yourself plenty of time.
- No parking on Bemis lawn, which is a diploma issuing site.
- At ~ 9:30am the main entry gate on Cemetery Rd. will close for the processional march. Tyler St. gate behind Holly Tree or Shore Rd. gate behind Convocation Center are open.
- To avoid the heavy congestion on Emancipation, **have guests use the Mallory St/Fort Monroe exit 268** and come by way of the V.A.
- To avoid traffic and parking on campus, guests can use the shuttle buses which will pick up/drop off in downtown Hampton at two places: the [Settlers Landing Garage](#) at 555 Settlers Landing Rd., and the [Crowne Plaza Hotel Garage](#) at 720 Settlers Landing Rd.

### 4. **Parking.**

- Commencement participants may park on campus, all reserved spaces on campus are for use only by the person assigned the space.
- Guest handicap accessible parking is at Lot 11 (at Holland Hall/Convocation Center), which is RESERVED for vehicles with handicap plates/placards, HU faculty/staff decaled vehicles, and buses.
- Guest parking is in Lot 10 ("Africa"). When lot 10 fills, V.A. parking lots will be used.
- Lot 5 (behind S&T) and lot 8 (at Harvey Library/Kittrell Hall) are restricted use only.

5. **Outbound Traffic and Departing.** Outbound traffic is always very heavy - we recommend you **defer departing until outbound traffic has thinned**. The following adjustments will enable us and our Hampton Police Division partners to move traffic as quickly as possible. When departing the main campus, access to I-64 will NOT be by the usual way via Settlers Landing Rd.:

- WmRHarvey Way traffic must turn left on Hampton Harbor Ave., then left on Settlers Landing, over the Booker T. Washington Bridge and into downtown Hampton. Drivers can access I-64 at the Armistead/LaSalle on ramps.
- Shore Rd. traffic must merge with traffic from the V.A. and use MLK Blvd. to Mallory St.
- Settlers Landing Rd. will be used by traffic exiting lots 11 and 10
- See the graphic on the next page for a visual of the outbound travel routes.

# OUTBOUND TRAFFIC ROUTES

