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TRAFFIC ADVISORY

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The Harrisonburg Police Department would like to remind residents of areas that might be congested this weekend.

Starting this evening and continuing through tomorrow, James Madison University will be celebrating the annual Commencement Ceremonies on campus.

Heavy vehicle and pedestrian traffic can be expected at the following intersections and streets. Some traffic patterns might also be altered throughout the day.

- South Main Street from Cantrell Avenue to Port Republic Road
- Reservoir Street from the I-81 overpass to Neff Avenue
- Cantrell Avenue from South Main to Reservoir streets
- Evelyn Byrd Avenue from Reservoir Street to Neff Avenue
- Port Republic Road from South Main Street to Neff Avenue
- Neff Avenue from Reservoir Street to Port Republic Road
- University Boulevard from Port Republic Road to East Market Street
- Forrest Hills Road
- Bluestone Drive through JMU campus
- Carrier Drive through JMU campus
- Duke Drive through JMU campus
- I-81 interchange at Exit 245

HPD encourages local motorists to avoid these areas on Saturday, May 5. Please use caution and be vigilant for pedestrians along the road and crossing streets.

The gates, located on the central portion of JMU campus, will remain closed to ensure the safety of all pedestrians and to accommodate shuttle buses. Shuttle buses will be utilized to transport people from local hotels, off-campus housing complexes, parking decks, and remote parking lots to the ceremonies. Bus riders are encouraged to board the buses as early as possible.

During commencement ceremonies, permit parking will not be enforced by the City of Harrisonburg.

Additional traffic information and updates will be broadcast on 1610 AM and available at www.jmu.edu/commencement.

On behalf of HPD, congratulations and best wishes to the Class of 2012!

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