

# NCR WATCH DESK

SUNRISE BRIEF, FEBRUARY 7, 2020

# I. WEATHER

 Today: Wind Advisory for portions of the NCR from 9AM-3PM. Dense Fog Advisory for counties north and west of DC until 8AM. 90% chance of rain showers until 10AM. High 56°. Low 30°.



# II. DEVELOPMENTS OF NOTE

# **National Capital Region**

- Arlington County: Arlington County Police are searching for the suspect responsible for several armed robberies in garages in the Pentagon City neighborhood. During three of the incidents, the victims' vehicle was stolen, and two of the vehicles have subsequently been recovered in DC. Arlington County Police are conducting extra patrols in the garages and the public can expect to see an increased visible law enforcement presence throughout the Pentagon City area. Link
- Montgomery County: Starting tonight at 9PM through Monday, February 10 at 5AM, the Maryland Transportation Authority is implementing its next generation electronic tolling systems. Eastbound traffic on the Intercounty Connector (ICC)/MD 200 will be detoured at Shady Grove Road. The detour route will direct motorists south on Shady Grove Road to south on Frederick Road (MD-355), to East Gude Drive, to east on Norbeck Road and north on Georgia Avenue (MD-97) back to eastbound (ICC)/MD 200. Link

### **United States**

- Virginia: Governor Ralph Northam declared a State of Emergency on Thursday due to the impacts from severe weather and flooding in Southwest Virginia. <u>Link</u>
- Nationwide: The FBI elevated its assessment
  of the threat posed by racially motivated violent
  extremists to a national threat priority for fiscal
  year 2020. The FBI is just as concerned about
  threats of violence from domestic terrorism and
  hate crimes as they are of threats posed to the
  country by foreign terrorist organizations. Link

#### World

 Yemen: The White House confirmed Thursday that the US conducted a counter-terrorism operation in eastern Yemen that killed the leader and one of the founders of al-Qa'ida in the Arabian Peninsula (AQAP). <u>Link</u>

## III. NOVEL CORONAVIRUS

- Overview: Johns Hopkins University's Center for Systems Science and Engineering (JHU CSSE) reports 31,519 confirmed cases of Novel Coronavirus (2019-nCoV) and 638 deaths as of 2/7/2020 at 6:13AM. Link
- Japan: One American tested positive for 2019nCoV while aboard the Diamond Princess cruise ship quarantined in Yokomama, near Tokyo. The passenger was removed from the vessel and transported to a local hospital. <u>Link</u>



Passengers wear face mask aboard the Diamond Princess cruise ship (Source: Reuters)