I. WEATHER

**Today**: Sunny and hot. High 97°. Low 75°. Today will be the hottest day of the year thus far. Take precaution if spending time outdoors.

II. DEVELOPMENTS OF NOTE

**National Capital Region**

- **Virginia**: A new pedestrian law that went into effect Wednesday, July 1 required drivers to stop for pedestrians in any marked or unmarked crosswalk until the pedestrian has cleared all lanes.

- **Alexandria**: KeepIt360, a weekly after-school club at T.C. Williams High School, was awarded a mini-grant by the Suicide Prevention Alliance of Northern Virginia for activities that focus on helping students learn about mental health.

- **Montgomery County**: The Atlantic Hurricane and Summer Storm Season began June 1 and will run through November. The county’s Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security offers tips to prepare for the summer storm season.

- **Prince George’s County**: Police is seeking the public’s assistance in location 75-year-old Juanita Carrera Scott, who was last seen in the area of Thompson Road, in Bowie.

III. COVID-19 (CORONAVIRUS)

**Overview**: Johns Hopkins University reports 10,889,434 COVID-19 cases, 521,669 deaths, and 5,771,673 recoveries worldwide as of 6AM. In the US, there are 2,739,879 cases, 128,740 deaths, and 781,970 recoveries.

- **National Capital Region**: There are 80,581 COVID-19 cases and 3,085 fatalities reported in the NCR. [DC, MD, VA]

- **Nationwide**: The National Safety Council has advised consumers not to handle fireworks shortly after applying hand sanitizer. Alcohol residue could increase the risk of burn injury. Experts recommend washing with soap and water when handling fireworks.

- **Nationwide**: FDA warned consumers about alcohol-based hand sanitizers containing methanol, or wood alcohol. Methanol is not an acceptable active ingredient. The substance is used to create fuel and antifreeze and can be toxic when absorbed through the skin and life-threatening when ingested.

- **District of Columbia**: All testing sites and student grocery distribution sites will be closed today and tomorrow.

- **Maryland**: A new Department of Health directive was announced instructing physicians to order a test for any individual who requests it, regardless of symptoms. Health officials are also encouraging anyone who works in close-contact settings with confirmed cases and individuals who have traveled or returned to the state from out-of-state travel, to get tested.

- **Virginia**: The application portal for federal Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation benefits program is now available. The program provided up to an additional 13 weeks of regular unemployment benefits to those who have exhausted regular benefits.