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Dear Annapolis Complex Stakeholder:

The Maryland Capitol Police recently conducted a Security Analysis for the facilities under the jurisdiction of the Annapolis Detachment. As a result of this analysis, we learned that there were vehicles illegally parking at the Calvert Street State Employee's Parking Garage. This reduces the number of spaces available for state employees legitimately parking in the facility for work purposes. To compound this issue, we were previously unable to remove illegally parked vehicles due to the lower ceiling height in the garage which precluded typical tow vehicles from entering the garage.

The Maryland Capitol Police has addressed these issues and ensured that the parking garage is clearly marked with signs giving notice of the parking restriction and out authority to tow illegally parked vehicles. Further, we have located a towing company that is not hampered by the issues of the low ceiling height and possess special equipment to remove the illegally parked vehicles at an additional cost to the violator.

Effective October 1, 2015, the Maryland Capitol Police will begin towing illegally parked vehicles. Signage explaining parking and towing rules has been posted prior to the entrance, at the entrance and throughout every floor of the Calvert Garage. Approximately 2 weeks prior to towing vehicles, the Maryland Capitol Police will be placing flyers on illegally parked vehicles during the evening hours.

Currently when parking violations occur, officers compare the registered owner(s) to the State Employee Database. If the registered owner is not a state employee, the vehicle is ticketed. Effective October 1, 2015, if a state employee drives a vehicle not registered to the employee, the employee should contact the Maryland Capitol Police with updated information to avoid unnecessary and costly towing of the employee's vehicle. An example would be if a state employee uses another car or rental vehicle because of vehicle repairs to the employee's vehicle, then they should contact Maryland Capitol Police Dispatch at: 410-260-2911.



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I would like to thank everyone involved with our analysis and evaluation process and request that everyone be patient while we transition to these new operating procedures. If anyone experiences any issues, please feel free to contact us at 410-767-2911.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "MS Wilson", enclosed in a thin black rectangular border.

Michael Wilson
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