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CONSTRUCTION ALERT! STATE STREET DOORS TO THE CAPITOL WILL BE CLOSED UNTIL SEPTEMBER, STARTING MONDAY

SALEM – The Capitol doors and sidewalks on State Street will be closed to all foot traffic beginning Monday, June 9, as workers begin to repair leaks in the Capitol planters located on the South side of the building. The work is scheduled for completion in early September. During this time, the public can access the Capitol through the main entrance on Court Street, and the East entrance.

During the demolition phase of the Restoration Project, leaks were discovered between the planter area and the first floor of the House wing. The leaks had damaged outer walls in the Capitol wings, but were previously unseen since water did not soak through to visibly damage the interior walls. The leaks must be repaired now to avoid future damage to the work being completed through the Restoration Project. The planters run most of the length of the building on the State Street side. They were originally built along with the House and Senate wings in 1977. Cost of the repairs will be covered by the contingency fund already approved for the Restoration Project.