Grateful! Grateful! Grateful!







May 10, 2023

Dear Spokes in the Wheel:

As we begin to view the beauty of flowers, the leaves on the trees, the planting of gardens, the signs of spring, let's give "*Thanks*" for the breath of life and weather with no hurricanes or tornadoes. We are blessed beyond measure! Our coalition continues to "*raise the bar*" for future generations and that's a good thing!

Our breakfast meeting for this month is Monday, May 22, 2023, at 9:00 am located at St. Margaret's Catholic Church, 410 Addison Road South, Capitol Heights, MD 20743. We will receive updates from Law Enforcement, Fire, and EMS agencies, as well as an overview of our Metro Stations. I am hoping to have a complete presentation regarding the status of the grocery store, doctor's office and development of the Addison Road / Central Avenue Project.

We are looking forward to the PGC311 Forum from the Office of Community Relations Presentation which will involve Dept. of Permits, Inspection & Enforcement (DPIE), Dept. of Environment (DoE), Revenue Authority, Dept. of Aging, and several other agencies. These presentations are needed for us to be fully informed and to ask questions which will help us as we relate back to our communities.

Mother's Day will be celebrated Sunday, May 14th, 2023. Never forget. Every day is "Mother's Day!" While many women have children, it takes a special woman to be a "Mother." We must encourage our mothers and fathers in helping our children to be all they can be to make this a better world.

Contact Doris Witcher (301-858-3148) in my office for questions or concerns regarding the Greater Route 202 Coalition. Also, remember to visit my website at: <u>www.joannecbenson.com</u>.

I close with "A rising tide lifts all ships!" Thank you for being the rising tide.

Gripped in His Service,

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