## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

TO: All Members of Congress and Congressional Staff

FROM: William J. Walker Sergeant at Arms

DATE: February 23, 2022

## SUBJECT: First Amendment Activities

Beginning as early as today, February 23, 2022, commercial truck and vehicle convoys plan to depart from various regions across the country intending to make their way to Washington, D.C. and the National Capitol Region. Similar events recently occurred in Canada and involved large trucks and or commercial vehicles blocking and impeding traffic.

These truck convoys may coincide with the State of the Union Address to Congress and extend through mid-March. Accordingly, Members and staff in Washington, D.C. and district offices should anticipate that these convoys may cause higher than normal traffic volume and possible disruptions on roadways in the Washington, D.C. area. Therefore, public transportation should be considered as a viable option.

The United States Capitol Police (USCP) are aware of these activities and are working with the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) and other law enforcement partners to support peaceful demonstration activity and manage transportation routes. The USCP will notify Members and staff via USCP Alerts of any demonstration activities that impede access to the Capitol campus.

The Sergeant at Arms will monitor this activity and provide updates as the situation develops.

Thank you and please remember to immediately report any suspicious activity you hear or see to USCP by dialing 911 from a landline or 202-225-0911 from a cell phone.