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## TO OUR VALUED VISITORS:

Welcome to Biloxi and the Mississippi Gulf Coast. Great news. You're here on one of our busiest weekends of the year, and we want to give you some tips to help you enjoy your stay. The first tip: Have fun.

Be aware that with two big events taking place this weekend -- the Darius Rucker concert at Harrah's Gulf Coast on U.S. 90 in east Biloxi and the Scrapin' the Coast car show at the Mississippi Coast Coliseum on U.S. 90 in west Biloxi – we're expecting heavy and slow-moving traffic, and a large number of pedestrians, some of whom will be trying to walk across U.S. 90.

Be patient. Drive courteously and defensively. Give yourself plenty of time to arrive at your destination. Have your vehicle fueled. Pay close attention to speed limits, No U-turn signs and any roadside video billboards with detour information. You may also encounter police officers directing traffic. Follow their directions.

Expect periodic detours to help us keep traffic moving. When you're parking your car, do not park on sidewalks or on the grass medians of U.S. 90. Park in parking bays only. Do not park on private property unless you have the owner's permission. Do not cross or move police barricades or caution tape. Remember to lock your vehicle and place valuables in the trunk or generally out of sight.

Two important notices:

- Interstate 110, from U.S. 90 to I-110, will be closed Saturday night beginning at 7 until Sunday morning at 9 for unavoidable road work.
- If you attend the Darius Rucker concert, for a period after the concert, U.S. 90 traffic from the Ohr-O'Keefe Museum of Art to the Biloxi Bay Bridge will be diverted to Ocean Springs so we can minimize congestion. Those parked north of U.S. 90 will be able to use Howard Avenue to return to downtown Biloxi, but again, expect heavy traffic.

All of the preparations we're taking are aimed at public safety, to make sure traffic moves orderly, and, most importantly, to try to make sure that you enjoy your stay in our community.

A.J. Holloway Mayor John Miller Chief of Police

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For traffic updates throughout the weekend

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