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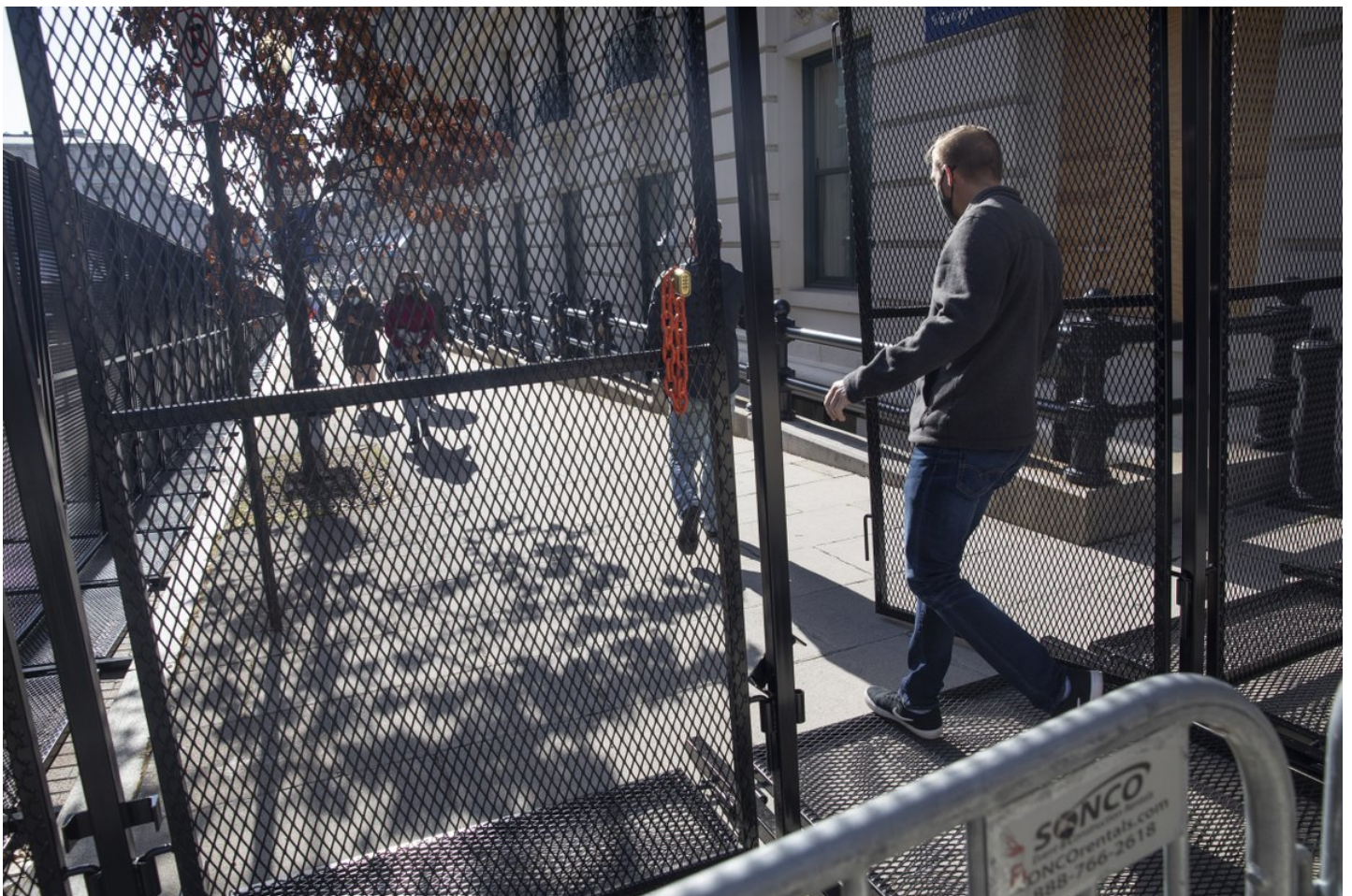
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Inauguration is one of those times that federal Washington and local D.C. collide head on, though never so much as this year. Our team at @wamu885news and @DCist has been relentlessly focused on the second half of that equation....

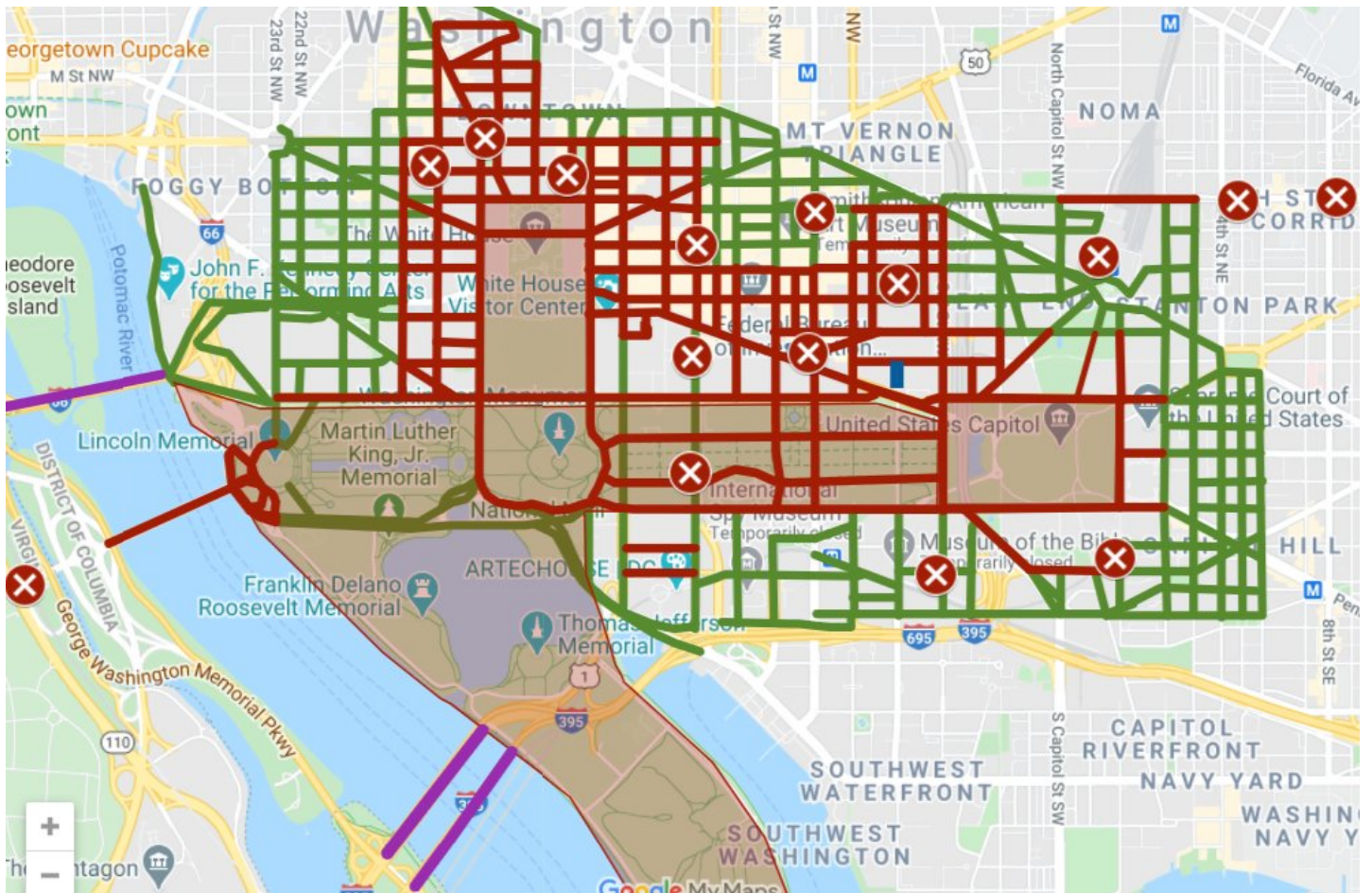
On a bright, cold Saturday, we found a scene that onlookers described as “surreal” and “post-apocalyptic.” One ANC commissioner estimated that troops outnumbered residents five to one. <https://t.co/CVYH5gC26E>



Residents in the militarized zone described how their lives have been ensnared by the security apparatus. “With the bridges closing out of Virginia, it feels like it’s just us, and the whole world is watching.” <https://t.co/HbW2FtOsjm>



Speaking of the bridges closing, [@JWPascale](#) mapped out the street closures. As Mayor Muriel Bowser put it: “Clearly we are in uncharted waters.” <https://t.co/qU9IOPCqsx>



All of those closures and new security measures have upended the lives and services of people experiencing homelessness, as [@mikafra](https://t.co/gI7S8bhsFT) reported <https://t.co/gI7S8bhsFT>

So what is the likelihood of far-right violence? [@Curious_Kurz](https://t.co/oV4SZ6LzF1) [@margaretbarthe](https://t.co/oV4SZ6LzF1) [@dbonessi](https://t.co/oV4SZ6LzF1) spoke to experts who said major crowds are unlikely but there may be diffuse violence. And they warned it could continue well beyond inauguration. <https://t.co/oV4SZ6LzF1>



Need a drink after all that? True to form, D.C.'s restaurants have stepped up with all manner of inauguration-themed deals and offerings. From [@ecwilliams30](https://t.co/OUXqAG0JqB)

Speaking of restaurants, a number have donated pizza and other offerings to the thousands of National Guard troops in town. Do they actually need it? [@JacobFenston](https://t.co/31InMj0WUA) reported on the phenomenon.



Plus, here's what we know about the scheduled plans for inauguration itself: <https://t.co/g0AXGexc0B>

And that's not even all of it. Keep up with our continuing inauguration coverage here: <https://t.co/g115EQt5PD>