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Federal immigration officers deploy pepper spray at observers Saturday after a shooting in Minneapolis.

Federal agents kill man in Minneapolis

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Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — A federal immigration officer shot and killed a man Saturday in Minneapolis, drawing hundreds of protesters onto the frigidly cold streets in a city already shaken by another killing weeks earlier.

Minneapolis Police Chief Brian O'Hara said a 37-year-old man was killed but declined to identify him. He added that information about what led up to the shooting was limited. The man was identified by his parents as Alex Pretti, an intensive care unit nurse.

The Minnesota National Guard, which was activated earlier by Gov. Tim Walz, was assisting local police amid growing protests. Guard troops headed to both the shooting



An observer yells at federal immigration officers Saturday in Minneapolis.

site and to a federal building where officials squared off with protesters daily.

Man killed by a federal officer in Minneapolis was an ICU

nurse, family says part of the Trump administration's immigration crackdown and fired "defensive shots" after a man with a handgun approached them and "violently resisted" when officers tried to disarm him.

O'Hara said police believe the man was a "lawful gun owner with a permit to carry." The officer who shot the man is an eight-year Border Patrol veteran, federal officials said.

Several bystander videos of the shooting emerged soon after. Pretti is seen with a phone in his hand but none appears to show him with a visible weapon.

President Donald Trump weighed in on social media by lashing out at Walz and Minneapolis Mayor Jacob Frey, both

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Motorcycle gear shop opens in Culpeper

Riders and the motor-curious can enjoy coffee and shopping at Fulton Moto

ALLISON BROPHY CHAMPION
Culpeper Star-Exponent

A pair of entrepreneurial millennials invested substantially to rev up interest in making Culpeper "The Motorcycle Capital of Virginia," a concept that's on its way to cruise control as bike enthusiasts discover what makes it so.

Dos Allen, 37, and Eric Fulton, 36, opened Fulton Moto, a motorcycle gear shop and hang-out spot this past fall, and the business partners and friends recently added a full espresso bar. The idea for the store, located at the back of



Downtown Culpeper entrepreneurs Eric Fulton and Dos Allen partnered to renovate the ground floor of the historic Masonic Lodge into Fulton Moto, a motorcycle gear shop and coffee lounge at 107 S. East St.

the historic Masonic Lodge, at 107 S. East St., formed from the Bikes & Coffee meetups the two bikers

began hosting back in 2024. Motorcyclists from around Virginia and beyond started

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WINTER WEATHER

Governor urges to prepare for worst

Stay off roads, be ready for power issues, especially after, she says

MICHAEL PAUL WILLIAMS
Richmond Times-Dispatch

In the final hours before a potentially "catastrophic" snowstorm capped by freezing rain, sub-zero temperatures, ice-coated trees and power lines, and gusting winds, Gov. Abigail Spanberger urged Virginians to prepare for the worst before hunkering down at home and staying off the roads.

"We know that the impact of this storm will be tremendous. Significant snowfall, significant ice. And we are anticipating, because of the dangerously low temperatures, ongoing impacts of this storm will continue after the point in time the snow or the ice has stopped falling," she said.

"We want everyone to be prepared for significant and extended power outages during and after the storm."

Virginia received a federal emergency declaration Friday night, Spanberger said during a noon news conference Saturday. "We now have representatives from FEMA here on the ground, and with the category of federal declaration that we have, we are able to receive direct federal supplies where necessary for the

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Late fire displaces 30, but no injuries

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Seven homes were badly damaged but no injuries were reported following a fire that ripped through a townhouse complex in Locust Grove late Friday.

According to Orange fire officials, the fire erupted about 9:40 p.m. on Sara Court near the Walmart off Germanna Highway (State Route 3). It started in one townhouse and quickly spread to six others, mostly through the attic area. Windy conditions and cold temperatures made bringing the fire under control more difficult, fire officials said.

Firefighters from Lake of the Woods, Mine Run and the Orange County fire departments were assisted at the scene by units

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