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## Sent Via Electronic Mail

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## Re: Report on George Mason University's Compliance with Va. Code §23.1-401.1

Dear Governor Northam, Delegate Tyler, and Senator Lucas:

Pursuant to Va. Code § 23.1-401.1, George Mason University ("Mason") submits this report regarding its compliance with that statute. Enclosed please find a copy of Mason's policies related to constitutionally protected speech. Mason has also created a web page, www2.gmu.edu/1stAmendment, where these policies can be found along with other materials developed by Mason related to constitutionally protected speech. Mason also certifies that it complies with Section C of the statute by sending an email to all Mason faculty and staff annually informing them of the above referenced web page. Mason informed all incoming students of this web page and presented materials related to constitutionally protected speech during orientation.

Finally, there have been no complaints filed in a court of law since December 1, 2019 to initiate a lawsuit against Mason or employees of Mason in their official capacity for an alleged violation of the First Amendment to the United States Constitution.

Sincerely,

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Cc: Fran Bradford Deputy Secretary of Education Fran.bradford@governor.virginia.gov Below please find a hyperlinked list of George Mason University's Policies that relate to constitutionally protected speech under the First Amendment to the United States Constitution:

University Policy 1103: Space Utilization and Scheduling University Policy 1109: Poster Posting University Policy 1110: Vending Sales and Solicitations University Policy 1112: Outside Banner (and/or other Materials) Policy University Policy 1126: Participation in Political Activities University Policy 1127: University Affiliated Social Media Sites University Policy 1128: Use of Amplified Sound in Outdoor Spaces University Policy 1132: Trespass Notices University Policy 1140: Utilization of Facilities by the General Public University Policy 1201: Non-Discrimination Policy University Policy 1301: Responsible Use of Computing University Policy 48: Building Entry and Access George Mason University Space Use Regulation, 8 VAC 35-31

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