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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, http://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, 2020 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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