1) What would you say makes your jurisdiction great?
There are many things that make my hometown, the City of Fairfax, great, but I think our best feature is our strong sense of community. We have a small-town feel - with great civic pride and friendly neighbors - along with all the benefits of a bustling urban area. It's the perfect combination.

2) In 20 words or less, what message would you like to share with the George Mason University community?
In a way, Fairfax City and GMU have "grown-up" together. Both places are better for that relationship which I hope we continue to support and nurture.

3) What reading material is currently on your bedside table?
I just finished reading "Little Princes" by Conor Grennan - a true story about a young man from Virginia who opens an orphanage in Nepal. I enjoy true stories and this one is very inspirational but also funny. Now I'm reading "The Fault in Our Stars" to keep up with my 12 year old daughter - it's also inspirational and funny, but I've been warned about the sad ending.

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