Top Line Survey Results
PA Congressional District 16 ~ Brushfire Poll
Conducted October 29-30, 2018
Sample Size: 405 Likely Voters

Hello, thank you for your willingness to listen to this unsolicited telephone call. This is ABC27 News and Susquehanna Polling and Research inviting registered voters to give their opinions on the upcoming midterm elections in November. Your answers are confidential and anonymous.

F1: What are your chances of voting in the November 6th elections for United States Congress and other federal and state races?

1. Definitely plan to vote 388 96% PROCEED TO Q2
2. Fair chance of voting 4 01% PROCEED TO Q2
3. Voted by absentee 0 00% PROCEED TO Q2
4. Do Not Plan to Vote --- THANK AND TERMINATE
5. No response 13 03% PROCEED TO Q2

Q2. Are you registered to vote as a Republican, Democrat, Independent or something else?

1. Republican 195 48%
2. Democrat 177 44%
3. Independent 21 05%
4. No response 12 03%

Q3. Do you think the United States is going in the right direction, or has the country gotten on the wrong track?

1. Right direction 180 44%
2. Wrong track 200 50%
3. Undecided/No Opinion 14 03%
4. No response 11 03%
Q4. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Donald Trump is doing as President?

1. Approve 192 47%
2. Disapprove 201 50%
3. Neutral/No Opinion 8 02%
4. No response 4 01%

Q5. In the election for your Member of Congress who represents you in Washington, D.C., is it more important to have a candidate who will work closely with President Trump to advance his agenda, or a candidate who will stand up to President Trump and be a check and balance on the President’s policies?

1. Prefer a candidate who will work closely with Trump to advance his agenda 174 43%
2. Prefer a candidate who will stand up to Trump and be a check and balance on his policies 218 54%
3. Neutral/No opinion 9 02%
4. No response 4 01%

Q6. In the election for United States Congress, if the election were held today would you vote for Republican Mike Kelly or Democrat Ron DiNicola?

1. Republican Mike Kelly 189 47%
2. Democrat Ron DiNicola 205 51%
3. Another candidate 5 01%
4. Undecided 6 01%

Q7. Regardless of how you are registered to vote, do you tend to think of yourself more as a Republican, more as a Democrat or more as an Independent or unaffiliated voter when it comes to political issues?

1. Identify as Republican 152 37%
2. Identify as Democrat 129 32%
3. Identify as Independent/Unaffiliated 115 28%
4. No response/answer 9 03%

Thank you for your participation in this survey. Have a good day/evening.

Gender:

1. Male 182 45%
2. Female 212 52%
3. No response 11 03%
METHODOLOGY, SAMPLE FRAME AND DATA COLLECTION TECHNIQUES

This poll was commissioned by WHTM-TV/ABC27 and conducted by Susquehanna Polling and Research, Inc. Interviews were conducted October 29-30 with 405 likely general election voters in Pa. Congressional District 16. Interviews were collected via automated/IVR response polling. Automated polling software relies on a pre-recorded voice expert to ensure all respondents hear survey questions in the exact same way and with identical voice inflection, thereby reducing any incidence of unintentional interviewer bias sometimes common in live agent interviews.

The sample frame is based on a universe of voters who have past vote history in one of the last four general elections (i.e., G17, G16, G15 and/or G14, and new registrants since G2017). Interviews are closely monitored to ensure a representative sample of projected likely voters is achieved based on party registration, geography, gender, age and other demographics; results are sometimes statistically weighted.

The margin of error for a sample size of 404 interviews is +/-4.9% at the 95% confidence level.

1Susquehanna Polling and Research © is a Pennsylvania-based, survey research and polling firm representing corporate and political clients in PA, NY, NJ, MD, IN, FL, NC, SC and numerous other states. SP&R’s polling has been featured on many national platforms including the Rush Limbaugh Radio Show, FOX News Channel, The O’Reilly Factor, the Bill Maher Show and MSNBC. The internet news service Sunshine State News of Florida referred to SP&R as “one of the most prominent pollsters in the country” for its accurate polling in the 2010 Florida Gubernatorial Republican Primary election. WHTM-TV/ABC27 News in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania recognized SP&R for its accurate polling in the 2016 Presidential Election.