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## **NEW JERSEY: DEM MAINTAINS EDGE IN CD11**

*Trump, tax plan don't help in a Republican leaning district*

West Long Branch, NJ – Democrat Mikie Sherrill maintains her lead over Republican Jay Webber in New Jersey's 11<sup>th</sup> Congressional District, according to the latest **Monmouth University Poll**. Little has changed in the state of the race since Monmouth polled it in June. NJ-11 voters are divided on President Donald Trump and hold a negative view of the GOP tax plan passed by Congress last year – issues that have been baked into the campaign since the start of the cycle. The recent Supreme Court nomination process has not noticeably moved this race in either direction.

Sherrill currently holds a 48% to 44% lead over Webber among likely voters using Monmouth's standard midterm turnout model, with 1% supporting another candidate and 6% undecided. The race stands at 50% for Sherrill and 43% for Webber using a model that incorporates a turnout surge in Democratic precincts. A model projecting lower overall turnout shows Sherrill with a 48% to 45% edge over Webber. These results are in line with where the race stood in Monmouth's June poll, except there are now fewer undecided voters. At that time, Sherrill was ahead by 4 points in the standard model (44%-40%), with 15% undecided. She also led by 6 points in the Democratic surge model (45%-39%) and by 3 points in the low turnout model (44%-41%). All leads in the current likely voter models are within the margin of error for the poll.

"The basic contours of this race have not changed. Even though Republicans have the edge in party affiliation, many are not happy with the president or key GOP initiatives such as the tax reform plan," said Patrick Murray, director of the independent Monmouth University Polling Institute.

The poll finds that the nomination of Brett Kavanaugh to the Supreme Court is not having much of an impact on this race. More than 3-in-4 (78%) likely NJ-11 voters say that this has not caused them to change their vote for the House. Among the remainder, 10% say the Kavanaugh issue has made them more likely to support Webber, 8% say it has made them more likely to support Sherrill, and 3% say it has made them more undecided.

“Most of the voters who say they have been motivated by the Kavanaugh nomination are partisan identifiers, which suggests this issue has been more likely to firm up their choice rather than actually flip their vote. These results suggest that the factors driving this race have already been baked in. Any new developments only serve to strengthen the choices voters were already inclined to make,” said Murray. He added, “But we did notice some very slight shifts over the weekend as the confirmation vote played out but nothing definitive. We will continue to monitor this issue in future polls.”

NJ-11 voters are divided on whether they prefer to have Republicans (45%) or Democrats (42%) in control of Congress, which is basically unchanged from their 43% to 41% preference for GOP control in June. While there is a slight lean toward the GOP, this is a marked contrast from the huge margins racked up by the district’s outgoing Republican incumbent. Appropriations Chairman Rodney Frelinghuysen – whose retirement led to the open contest for this seat – won this district by a minimum of 19 points in every election since his first victory in 1994.

At the presidential level, district voters are about evenly divided between saying they approve (49%) or disapprove (48%) of the job Trump is doing. Trump’s rating in June stood at 47% approve and 50% disapprove. Trump won this district by one point in 2016 while Mitt Romney won it by 6 points in 2012. Overall opinion of the president may be evenly divided, but he tends to have a net negative impact on voter motivation.

Currently, 75% of likely voters say that the president is a very important factor in their House vote, including 84% of Trump opponents and 77% of Trump supporters. In June, a similar 72% said Trump was a very important factor, although there was a larger gap between opponents (86%) and supporters (67%) who felt this way.

Last month, Trump tweeted his endorsement of Webber, surprising some political observers including the Republican candidate himself. Only 31% of NJ-11 voters are aware of the president’s support. Regardless of whether they are already aware of the Trump endorsement, just 15% of voters say it makes them more likely to support Webber while a larger 28% say it makes them less likely to support Webber. Another 56% say Trump’s tweet has no impact on their vote choice.

“It’s no surprise that Webber has not been trumpeting the president’s endorsement when you look at these poll numbers. Trump does not really help even though this is a Republican district,” said Murray.

Three-in-four (74%) likely NJ-11 voters say they have a lot of interest in the upcoming House election, which is identical to the 74% who said the same in June. There has been a 5 point increase in interest among Democrats (84%, up from 79%), but a slight decrease in interest among Republicans (65%, from 67%) and independents (76%, from 77%).

Among all the issues involved in the race, the Republican tax plan is particularly unpopular in this wealthy district where many voters worry about an adverse impact from the new SALT deduction

limits. Opinion currently stands at 43% approve and 46% disapprove, which is identical to Monmouth's 43% approve and 46% disapprove result on this question in June. Significantly more voters *strongly disapprove* (34%) than *strongly approve* (25%) of the tax plan.

"If anything should play well in a wealthy Republican district, it's a tax cut. But the elimination of certain deductions takes the sheen off this plan for many voters in New Jersey's 11<sup>th</sup>," said Murray.

When asked to choose their top issue in the House race from a list of six included in the poll, health care (24%) emerges as the top pick, followed by immigration (19%), tax policy (16%), gun control (16%), abortion (10%), and job creation (9%). When asked who they trust more to keep health care affordable, 41% choose Sherrill and 29% choose Webber, with 17% saying they trust both candidates equally. When asked who they trust more to handle tax policy, 37% choose the Democrat and 33% choose the Republican, with 17% saying they trust both equally.

Nearly half (45%) of NJ-11 likely voters have a favorable view of Sherrill compared to just 15% who have an unfavorable view, with 40% expressing no opinion. Webber currently earns a relatively weaker 35% favorable and 21% unfavorable rating, with 45% having no opinion. The percent who express no opinion of either candidate is slightly lower than it was in the summer. In June, Sherrill had a rating of 37% favorable, 8% unfavorable and 55% no opinion, while Webber had a rating of 26% favorable, 14% unfavorable and 60% no opinion.

Looking at demographic breakdowns of the vote, Webber leads Sherrill among men by 54% to 39%, which is slightly larger than his 48% to 38% edge in the summer. However, the Democrat has also extended her lead among women, which is currently 57% to 35% compared with 50% to 32% in June. Webber continues to lead among white voters without a college degree – 50% to 41%, which is smaller than his 54% to 26% advantage in June. The two candidates are tied among white voters with a college degree at 47% to 47%. Sherrill led among this group in June by 58% to 35%. She has offset this drop by extending her lead among non-white voters – currently 68% to 24% over Webber, compared with 48% to 27% in June.

Webber has pulled farther ahead in the Republican-leaning Morris and Sussex portions of the district – now leading Sherrill 50% to 42% there compared with 44% to 41% in June. Sherrill has countered this with wider advantages in the Passaic (58% to 35% compared with 50% to 35% in June) and Essex (56% to 37% compared with 45% to 37% in June) portions of the district.

The *Monmouth University Poll* was conducted by telephone from October 3 to 7, 2018 with 356 likely voters in New Jersey's 11<sup>th</sup> Congressional District. The question results in this release have a margin of error of +/- 5.2 percentage points. The error of the difference between the two candidates' vote share (i.e. the "lead") is +/-7.3 percentage points. The poll was conducted by the Monmouth University Polling Institute in West Long Branch, NJ.

## QUESTIONS AND RESULTS

(\* Some columns may not add to 100% due to rounding.)

1/2. If the election for U.S. House of Representatives in your district was today, would you vote for Jay Webber the Republican or Mikie Sherrill the Democrat, or some other candidate? [IF UNDECIDED: If you had to vote for one of the following at this moment, do you lean more toward Jay Webber or more toward Mikie Sherrill?] [NAMES WERE ROTATED]

<i>Likely Voters with leaners</i>	Oct. 2018			June 2018		
	<i>Standard Midterm</i>	<i>Democratic "Surge"</i>	<i>Low Turnout</i>	<i>Standard Midterm</i>	<i>Democratic "Surge"</i>	<i>Low Turnout</i>
Jay Webber	<b>44%</b>	<b>43%</b>	<b>45%</b>	40%	39%	41%
Mikie Sherrill	<b>48%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>48%</b>	44%	45%	44%
Other	<b>1%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>1%</b>	1%	1%	1%
(VOL) Undecided	<b>6%</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>6%</b>	15%	15%	14%
(n)	<b>(356)</b>	<b>(356)</b>	<b>(356)</b>	(339)	(339)	(339)

[QUESTIONS 3 & 4 WERE ROTATED]

3. Is your general impression of Jay Webber favorable or unfavorable, or do you have no opinion of him?

<i>Likely Voter Standard</i>	Oct. 2018	June 2018
Favorable	<b>35%</b>	26%
Unfavorable	<b>21%</b>	14%
No opinion	<b>45%</b>	60%
(n)	<b>(356)</b>	(339)

4. Is your general impression of Mikie Sherrill favorable or unfavorable, or do you have no opinion of her?

<i>Likely Voter Standard</i>	Oct. 2018	June 2018
Favorable	<b>45%</b>	37%
Unfavorable	<b>15%</b>	8%
No opinion	<b>40%</b>	55%
(n)	<b>(356)</b>	(339)

5. How much interest do you have in the upcoming election for House of Representatives – a lot of interest, a little interest, or not much interest at all?

<i>Likely Voter Standard</i>	Oct. 2018	June 2018
A lot	<b>74%</b>	74%
A little	<b>22%</b>	19%
Not much at all	<b>4%</b>	6%
(VOL) Don't know	<b>0%</b>	0%
(n)	<b>(356)</b>	(339)

6. Have you been following the campaign in your congressional district very closely, somewhat closely, or not too closely?

<i>Likely Voter Standard</i>	Oct. 2018	June 2018
Very closely	<b>24%</b>	17%
Somewhat closely	<b>47%</b>	49%
Not too closely	<b>29%</b>	33%
(VOL) Don't know	<b>0%</b>	0%
(n)	<b>(356)</b>	(339)

7. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Donald Trump is doing as president? [Do you (approve/disapprove) strongly or somewhat?]

<i>Likely Voter Standard</i>	<b>Oct. 2018</b>	June 2018
Strongly approve	<b>39%</b>	34%
Somewhat approve	<b>10%</b>	13%
Somewhat disapprove	<b>5%</b>	4%
Strongly disapprove	<b>43%</b>	46%
(VOL) Don't know	<b>2%</b>	3%
(n)	<b>(356)</b>	(339)

8. On most issues would you say you support or oppose what President Trump is doing?

<i>Likely Voter Standard</i>	<b>Oct. 2018</b>	June 2018
Support	<b>48%</b>	44%
Oppose	<b>46%</b>	50%
(VOL) Depends/both	<b>5%</b>	4%
(VOL) Don't know	<b>2%</b>	2%
(n)	<b>(356)</b>	(339)

9. How important is it for you to cast a vote for Congress that shows your [support of/opposition to] President Trump – very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not at all important?

<i>Likely Voter Standard</i>	<b>Oct. 2018</b>	June 2018
Very important	<b>75%</b>	72%
Somewhat important	<b>9%</b>	16%
Not too important	<b>5%</b>	3%
Not at all important	<b>3%</b>	2%
(VOL) Don't know	<b>8%</b>	7%
(n)	<b>(356)</b>	(339)

10. Would you rather see the Republicans or the Democrats in control of Congress, or doesn't this matter to you?

<i>Likely Voter Standard</i>	<b>Oct. 2018</b>	June 2018
Republicans	<b>45%</b>	43%
Democrats	<b>42%</b>	41%
Does not matter	<b>10%</b>	13%
(VOL) Don't know	<b>3%</b>	3%
(n)	<b>(356)</b>	(339)

11. Please tell me which one of the following policy issues is most important to you in your vote choice for Congress? [ITEMS WERE ROTATED]

<i>Likely Voter Standard</i>	<b>Oct. 2018</b>
Immigration policy	<b>19%</b>
Health care policy	<b>24%</b>
Gun control policy	<b>16%</b>
Abortion policy	<b>10%</b>
Tax policy	<b>16%</b>
Job creation policy	<b>9%</b>
(VOL) Other	<b>3%</b>
(VOL) Don't know	<b>3%</b>
(n)	<b>(356)</b>

[QUESTIONS 12 & 13 WERE ROTATED]

12. Who do you trust more to work to keep health care affordable – Jay Webber or Mikie Sherrill, or do you trust both equally? [NAMES WERE ROTATED]

Likely Voter Standard	<b>Oct. 2018</b>
Jay Webber	<b>29%</b>
Mikie Sherrill	<b>41%</b>
Both equally	<b>17%</b>
(VOL) Neither one	<b>5%</b>
(VOL) Don't know	<b>8%</b>
(n)	<b>(356)</b>

13. Who do you trust more to handle tax policy – Jay Webber or Mikie Sherrill, or do you trust both equally? [NAMES WERE ROTATED]

Likely Voter Standard	<b>Oct. 2018</b>
Jay Webber	<b>33%</b>
Mikie Sherrill	<b>37%</b>
Both equally	<b>17%</b>
(VOL) Neither one	<b>4%</b>
(VOL) Don't know	<b>9%</b>
(n)	<b>(356)</b>

14. Do you approve or disapprove of the tax reform plan passed by Congress in December?  
[Do you (approve/disapprove) strongly or somewhat?]

Likely Voter Standard	<b>Oct. 2018</b>	June 2018
Strongly approve	<b>25%</b>	27%
Somewhat approve	<b>18%</b>	16%
Somewhat disapprove	<b>12%</b>	15%
Strongly disapprove	<b>34%</b>	31%
(VOL) Don't know	<b>11%</b>	12%
(n)	<b>(356)</b>	(339)

15. Have you heard that Jay Webber was endorsed by Donald Trump in a tweet last month, or haven't you heard about this?

Likely Voter Standard	<b>Oct. 2018</b>
Heard	<b>31%</b>
Not heard	<b>69%</b>
(n)	<b>(356)</b>

15A. Does Trump's endorsement make you more likely to support Webber, less likely to support Webber, or does it not change your vote choice either way?

Likely Voter Standard	<b>Oct. 2018</b>
More likely to support Webber	<b>15%</b>
Less likely to support Webber	<b>28%</b>
Does not change vote choice	<b>56%</b>
(VOL) Don't know	<b>1%</b>
(n)	<b>(356)</b>

16. Has anything that's happened in the last few weeks related to the nomination of Brett Kavanaugh to the Supreme Court caused you to change your mind about who you will support in the election for House of Representatives, or hasn't it changed your mind? [If "YES": Has this made you more likely to support Webber, more likely to support Sherrill, or has it made you more undecided?]

<i>Likely Voter Standard</i>	<b>Oct. 2018</b>
Yes, more likely to support Webber	<b>10%</b>
Yes, more likely to support Sherrill	<b>8%</b>
Yes, more undecided	<b>3%</b>
No, has not changed my mind	<b>78%</b>
(VOL) Don't know	<b>1%</b>
(n)	<b>(356)</b>

### METHODOLOGY

The *Monmouth University Poll* was sponsored and conducted by the Monmouth University Polling Institute from October 3 to 7, 2018 with a random sample of 356 likely voters in New Jersey's 11<sup>th</sup> Congressional District, drawn from a list of registered voters who voted in at least one of the last four general or primary elections or have registered to vote since January 2016. This includes 221 contacted by a live interviewer on a landline telephone and 135 contacted by a live interviewer on a cell phone in English. Monmouth is responsible for all aspects of the survey design, data weighting and analysis. Final sample is weighted for region, party registration, age, gender, education and race based on state voter registration list and U.S. Census information. Data collection support provided by Braun Research (field) and L2 (voter sample). For results based on this sample, one can say with 95% confidence that the error attributable to sampling has a maximum margin of plus or minus 5.2 percentage points (unadjusted for sample design). Sampling error can be larger for sub-groups (see table below). In addition to sampling error, one should bear in mind that question wording and practical difficulties in conducting surveys can introduce error or bias into the findings of opinion polls.

<i>DEMOGRAPHICS (weighted)</i>	
<i>Party Registration</i>	
41%	<i>Republican</i>
36%	<i>Democrat</i>
23%	<i>Neither</i>
 <i>Self-Reported Party ID</i>	
38%	<i>Republican</i>
31%	<i>Independent</i>
31%	<i>Democrat</i>
 <i>Gender</i>	
48%	<i>Male</i>
52%	<i>Female</i>
 <i>Age</i>	
13%	<i>18-34</i>
21%	<i>35-49</i>
33%	<i>50-64</i>
33%	<i>65+</i>
 <i>Race</i>	
83%	<i>White, non-Hispanic</i>
17%	<i>Other</i>
 <i>Education</i>	
40%	<i>No college degree</i>
60%	<i>4-year college degree</i>
 <i>County</i>	
29%	<i>Essex County</i>
50%	<i>Morris County</i>
15%	<i>Passaic County</i>
6%	<i>Sussex County</i>

MARGIN OF ERROR		unweighted sample	moe (+/-)
ALL LIKELY VOTERS		356	5.2%
SELF-REPORTED PARTY ID	Republican	126	8.7%
	Independent	120	9.0%
IDEOLOGY	Democrat	109	9.4%
	Conservative	102	9.7%
	Moderate	145	8.1%
GENDER	Liberal	99	9.9%
	Male	171	7.5%
AGE	Female	185	7.2%
	18-49	132	8.5%
	50-64	116	9.1%
COLLEGE by RACE	65+	104	9.6%
	White, No degree	93	10.2%
	White, 4 year degree	190	7.1%
	Other race, Latino	60	12.7%
COUNTY	Morris/Sussex	205	6.9%
	Passaic	55	13.2%
	Essex	96	10.0%
VOTE CHOICE	Webber	148	8.1%
	Sherrill	163	7.7%
	Other, undecided	45	14.6%

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Monmouth University Poll -- NJ11 HOUSE LIKELY VOTERS: STANDARD MODEL -- 10/09/18

		TOTAL	PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY			GENDER		AGE 3-WAY
			Rep	Ind	Dem	Con	Mod	Lib	Male	Female	18-49
Q1-2. NJ11 HOUSE VOTE WITH LEANERS	Jay Webber	44%	91%	28%	3%	94%	32%	6%	54%	35%	37%
	Mikie Sherrill	48%	5%	57%	93%	2%	55%	91%	39%	57%	57%
	Other	1%	0%	3%	1%	1%	2%	0%	2%	0%	0%
	Undecided	6%	4%	12%	3%	3%	10%	3%	4%	8%	6%

		AGE 3-WAY		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE			REGION		
		50-64	65+	White no degree	White college	Non-white	Morris, Sussex	Passaic	Essex
Q1-2. NJ11 HOUSE VOTE WITH LEANERS	Jay Webber	49%	47%	50%	47%	24%	50%	35%	37%
	Mikie Sherrill	45%	43%	41%	47%	68%	42%	58%	56%
	Other	2%	2%	1%	1%	0%	1%	3%	1%
	Undecided	4%	8%	8%	5%	8%	7%	4%	6%

		TOTAL	PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY			GENDER		AGE 3-WAY
			Rep	Ind	Dem	Con	Mod	Lib	Male	Female	18-49
Q3. Is your general impression of Jay Webber favorable or unfavorable, or do you have no opinion of him?	Favorable	35%	71%	21%	3%	77%	23%	5%	43%	27%	26%
	Unfavorable	21%	3%	25%	37%	2%	21%	39%	18%	23%	23%
	No opinion	45%	26%	54%	60%	21%	56%	55%	39%	50%	51%

		AGE 3-WAY		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE			REGION			NJ11 HOUSE VOTE w/o LEANERS
		50-64	65+	White no degree	White college	Non-white	Morris, Sussex	Passaic	Essex	Webber
Q3. Is your general impression of Jay Webber favorable or unfavorable, or do you have no opinion of him?	Favorable	36%	40%	40%	37%	15%	42%	28%	23%	75%
	Unfavorable	18%	22%	18%	23%	22%	18%	20%	26%	2%
	No opinion	46%	38%	42%	40%	63%	40%	52%	51%	23%

		NJ11 HOUSE VOTE w/o LEANERS	
		Sherrill	Other- Undec
Q3. Is your general impression of Jay Webber favorable or unfavorable, or do you have no opinion of him?	Favorable	2%	14%
	Unfavorable	39%	15%
	No opinion	59%	72%

		TOTAL	PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY			GENDER		AGE 3-WAY
			Rep	Ind	Dem	Con	Mod	Lib	Male	Female	18-49
Q4. Is your general impression of Mikie Sherrill favorable or unfavorable, or do you have no opinion of her?	Favorable	45%	15%	53%	74%	14%	52%	72%	39%	50%	45%
	Unfavorable	15%	32%	6%	1%	37%	5%	3%	23%	7%	12%
	No opinion	40%	53%	40%	25%	49%	43%	25%	37%	43%	42%

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		AGE 3-WAY		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE			REGION			NJ11 HOUSE VOTE w/o LEANERS
		50-64	65+	White no degree	White college	Non-white	Morris, Sussex	Passaic	Essex	Webber
Q4. Is your general impression of Mikie Sherrill favorable or unfavorable, or do you have no opinion of her?	Favorable	43%	46%	41%	48%	46%	41%	40%	56%	13%
	Unfavorable	14%	17%	13%	18%	10%	21%	6%	6%	32%
	No opinion	43%	37%	46%	34%	44%	38%	54%	37%	55%

		NJ11 HOUSE VOTE w/o LEANERS	
		Sherrill	Other- Undec
Q4. Is your general impression of Mikie Sherrill favorable or unfavorable, or do you have no opinion of her?	Favorable	80%	25%
	Unfavorable	2%	3%
	No opinion	18%	72%

		TOTAL	PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY			GENDER		AGE 3-WAY
			Rep	Ind	Dem	Con	Mod	Lib	Male	Female	18-49
Q5. How much interest do you have in the upcoming election for House of Representatives - a lot of interest, a little interest, or not much interest at all?	A lot	74%	65%	76%	84%	73%	71%	80%	73%	74%	67%
	A little	22%	31%	20%	13%	24%	25%	16%	24%	21%	27%
	Not much at all	4%	3%	5%	3%	4%	4%	3%	3%	4%	6%
	[VOL] Dont Know	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%

		AGE 3-WAY		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE			REGION			NJ11 HOUSE VOTE w/o LEANERS
		50-64	65+	White no degree	White college	Non-white	Morris, Sussex	Passaic	Essex	Webber
Q5. How much interest do you have in the upcoming election for House of Representatives - a lot of interest, a little interest, or not much interest at all?	A lot	75%	79%	72%	76%	66%	75%	64%	77%	69%
	A little	22%	16%	25%	20%	25%	21%	29%	21%	28%
	Not much at all	3%	3%	3%	4%	8%	4%	7%	2%	2%
	[VOL] Dont Know	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	1%

		NJ11 HOUSE VOTE w/o LEANERS	
		Sherrill	Other- Undec
Q5. How much interest do you have in the upcoming election for House of Representatives - a lot of interest, a little interest, or not much interest at all?	A lot	80%	64%
	A little	15%	27%
	Not much at all	4%	9%
	[VOL] Dont Know	0%	0%

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		TOTAL	PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY			GENDER		AGE 3-WAY
			Rep	Ind	Dem	Con	Mod	Lib	Male	Female	18-49
Q6. Have you been following the campaign in your Congressional district very closely, somewhat closely, or not too closely?	Very closely	24%	25%	22%	27%	27%	24%	23%	25%	24%	18%
	Somewhat closely	47%	44%	47%	50%	45%	44%	51%	46%	47%	51%
	Not too closely	29%	31%	31%	23%	28%	32%	25%	29%	29%	31%

		AGE 3-WAY		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE			REGION		
		50-64	65+	White no degree	White college	Non-white	Morris, Sussex	Passaic	Essex
Q6. Have you been following the campaign in your Congressional district very closely, somewhat closely, or not too closely?	Very closely	25%	30%	28%	24%	17%	24%	11%	31%
	Somewhat closely	47%	41%	40%	51%	45%	49%	49%	41%
	Not too closely	28%	29%	32%	25%	38%	27%	39%	28%

		NJ11 HOUSE VOTE w/o LEANERS		
		Webber	Sherrill	Other- Undec
Q6. Have you been following the campaign in your Congressional district very closely, somewhat closely, or not too closely?	Very closely	26%	27%	8%
	Somewhat closely	46%	51%	31%
	Not too closely	28%	22%	61%

		TOTAL	PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY			GENDER		AGE 3-WAY
			Rep	Ind	Dem	Con	Mod	Lib	Male	Female	18-49
Q7. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Donald Trump is doing as president? [PROBE: Do you (approve/disapprove) strongly or somewhat?]	Strongly approve	39%	81%	20%	5%	82%	25%	9%	45%	33%	29%
	Somewhat approve	10%	12%	12%	5%	13%	13%	3%	12%	8%	12%
	Somewhat disapprove	5%	3%	10%	4%	2%	10%	1%	8%	3%	9%
	Strongly disapprove	43%	2%	54%	84%	2%	48%	84%	34%	53%	47%
	[VOL] Dont Know	2%	3%	3%	1%	1%	4%	3%	2%	3%	3%

		AGE 3-WAY		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE			REGION		
		50-64	65+	White no degree	White college	Non-white	Morris, Sussex	Passaic	Essex
Q7. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Donald Trump is doing as president? [PROBE: Do you (approve/disapprove) strongly or somewhat?]	Strongly approve	45%	42%	47%	37%	22%	46%	25%	31%
	Somewhat approve	8%	9%	8%	10%	13%	9%	14%	10%
	Somewhat disapprove	4%	3%	4%	6%	6%	4%	18%	2%
	Strongly disapprove	42%	43%	36%	45%	58%	38%	43%	55%
	[VOL] Dont Know	1%	3%	4%	2%	1%	3%	0%	2%

		NJ11 HOUSE VOTE w/o LEANERS		
		Webber	Sherrill	Other- Undec
Q7. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Donald Trump is doing as president? [PROBE: Do you (approve/disapprove) strongly or somewhat?]	Strongly approve	83%	2%	17%
	Somewhat approve	13%	4%	25%
	Somewhat disapprove	2%	6%	14%
	Strongly disapprove	1%	85%	37%
	[VOL] Dont Know	1%	3%	7%

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		TOTAL	PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY			GENDER		AGE 3-WAY
			Rep	Ind	Dem	Con	Mod	Lib	Male	Female	18-49
Q8. On most issues would you say you support or oppose what President Trump is doing?	Support	48%	96%	31%	5%	93%	37%	12%	55%	41%	39%
	Oppose	46%	2%	55%	90%	1%	52%	87%	37%	54%	54%
	[VOL] Both	5%	1%	11%	3%	3%	8%	0%	5%	4%	6%
	[VOL] Dont Know	2%	1%	4%	1%	3%	2%	1%	3%	1%	2%

		AGE 3-WAY		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE			REGION			NJ11 HOUSE VOTE w/o LEANERS
		50-64	65+	White no degree	White college	Non-white	Morris, Sussex	Passaic	Essex	Webber
Q8. On most issues would you say you support or oppose what President Trump is doing?	Support	50%	53%	57%	47%	29%	55%	40%	36%	96%
	Oppose	42%	43%	36%	46%	67%	40%	52%	54%	1%
	[VOL] Both	7%	2%	6%	4%	3%	3%	6%	7%	2%
	[VOL] Dont Know	1%	2%	1%	2%	1%	2%	1%	2%	1%

		NJ11 HOUSE VOTE w/o LEANERS	
		Sherrill	Other- Undec
Q8. On most issues would you say you support or oppose what President Trump is doing?	Support	6%	30%
	Oppose	90%	39%
	[VOL] Both	4%	19%
	[VOL] Dont Know	1%	12%

		TOTAL	PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY			GENDER		AGE 3-WAY
			Rep	Ind	Dem	Con	Mod	Lib	Male	Female	18-49
Q9. How important is it for you to cast a vote for Congress that shows your [support of/opposition to] President Trump – very important, somewhat important, not too important, not at all important, or not at all important?	Very important	75%	81%	59%	84%	81%	64%	85%	76%	74%	72%
	Somewhat important	9%	8%	11%	7%	5%	11%	10%	7%	10%	9%
	Not too important	5%	6%	7%	2%	5%	7%	1%	5%	5%	5%
	Not at all important	3%	3%	6%	1%	3%	6%	1%	4%	3%	6%
	[VOL] Dont Know	8%	3%	17%	6%	6%	12%	3%	8%	8%	8%

		AGE 3-WAY		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE			REGION		
		50-64	65+	White no degree	White college	Non-white	Morris, Sussex	Passaic	Essex
Q9. How important is it for you to cast a vote for Congress that shows your [support of/opposition to] President Trump – very important, somewhat important, not too important, not at all important, or not at all important?	Very important	77%	75%	74%	77%	74%	77%	67%	75%
	Somewhat important	7%	9%	10%	9%	7%	9%	8%	8%
	Not too important	3%	8%	6%	3%	8%	6%	9%	2%
	Not at all important	3%	1%	1%	4%	5%	1%	9%	4%
	[VOL] Dont Know	9%	8%	9%	7%	6%	7%	8%	11%

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		Webber	Sherrill	Other- Undec
Q9. How important is it for you to cast a vote for Congress that shows your [support of/opposition to] President Trump – very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not at all important?	Very important	81%	80%	30%
	Somewhat important	7%	7%	19%
	Not too important	3%	6%	7%
	Not at all important	5%	0%	8%
	[VOL] Dont Know	3%	6%	36%

		TOTAL	PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY			GENDER		AGE 3-WAY
			Rep	Ind	Dem	Con	Mod	Lib	Male	Female	18-49
Q10. Would you rather see the Republicans or the Democrats in control of Congress, or doesnt this matter to you?	Republicans	45%	95%	24%	4%	94%	31%	9%	53%	37%	32%
	Democrats	42%	1%	44%	91%	0%	48%	82%	35%	48%	55%
	Does not matter	10%	4%	24%	5%	6%	16%	7%	10%	11%	11%
	[VOL] Dont Know	3%	0%	9%	1%	0%	5%	2%	2%	4%	2%

		AGE 3-WAY		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE			REGION		
		50-64	65+	White no degree	White college	Non-white	Morris, Sussex	Passaic	Essex
Q10. Would you rather see the Republicans or the Democrats in control of Congress, or doesnt this matter to you?	Republicans	48%	52%	53%	47%	19%	53%	30%	35%
	Democrats	39%	34%	35%	42%	64%	33%	55%	53%
	Does not matter	10%	11%	10%	8%	11%	11%	12%	9%
	[VOL] Dont Know	3%	3%	1%	3%	6%	3%	3%	2%

		NJ11 HOUSE VOTE w/o LEANERS		
		Webber	Sherrill	Other- Undec
Q10. Would you rather see the Republicans or the Democrats in control of Congress, or doesnt this matter to you?	Republicans	94%	3%	25%
	Democrats	1%	84%	29%
	Does not matter	5%	11%	30%
	[VOL] Dont Know	0%	2%	16%

		TOTAL	PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY			GENDER		AGE 3-WAY
			Rep	Ind	Dem	Con	Mod	Lib	Male	Female	18-49
Q11. Please tell me which one of the following policy issues is most important to you in your vote choice for Congress - [READ LIST]?	Immigration policy	19%	36%	7%	9%	39%	11%	8%	23%	15%	10%
	Health care policy	24%	13%	27%	35%	7%	29%	38%	22%	26%	22%
	Gun control policy	16%	6%	22%	23%	8%	20%	19%	11%	21%	27%
	Abortion policy	10%	8%	8%	16%	10%	6%	18%	8%	13%	12%
	Tax policy	16%	16%	22%	10%	18%	21%	7%	22%	11%	18%
	Job creation policy	9%	14%	8%	2%	11%	10%	4%	11%	6%	10%
	[VOL] Other	3%	2%	4%	1%	4%	2%	2%	2%	3%	1%
	[VOL] Dont Know	3%	3%	2%	4%	3%	2%	4%	1%	5%	1%

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		AGE 3-WAY		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE			REGION		
		50-64	65+	White no degree	White college	Non-white	Morris, Sussex	Passaic	Essex
Q11. Please tell me which one of the following policy issues is most important to you in your vote choice for Congress - [READ LIST]?	Immigration policy	27%	20%	25%	17%	10%	23%	19%	11%
	Health care policy	29%	22%	23%	24%	30%	24%	29%	23%
	Gun control policy	10%	11%	16%	15%	22%	11%	26%	21%
	Abortion policy	8%	12%	13%	9%	13%	13%	6%	8%
	Tax policy	10%	19%	12%	18%	11%	15%	10%	22%
	Job creation policy	10%	7%	6%	10%	10%	9%	7%	9%
	[VOL] Other	4%	4%	2%	4%	3%	3%	3%	2%
	[VOL] Dont Know	2%	6%	4%	3%	1%	3%	0%	5%

		NJ11 HOUSE VOTE w/o LEANERS		
		Webber	Sherrill	Other- Undec
Q11. Please tell me which one of the following policy issues is most important to you in your vote choice for Congress - [READ LIST]?	Immigration policy	34%	8%	5%
	Health care policy	12%	33%	35%
	Gun control policy	7%	27%	10%
	Abortion policy	6%	13%	15%
	Tax policy	20%	10%	22%
	Job creation policy	14%	5%	4%
	[VOL] Other	5%	1%	3%
	[VOL] Dont Know	2%	3%	5%

		TOTAL	PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY			GENDER		AGE 3-WAY
			Rep	Ind	Dem	Con	Mod	Lib	Male	Female	18-49
Q12. Who do you trust more to work to keep health care affordable – Jay Webber or Mikie Sherrill, or do you trust both equally?	Jay Webber	29%	63%	11%	3%	70%	14%	2%	37%	21%	21%
	Mikie Sherrill	41%	5%	48%	79%	2%	48%	76%	35%	46%	50%
	Both equally	17%	20%	19%	10%	15%	23%	13%	16%	17%	15%
	(VOL) Neither one	5%	4%	11%	2%	6%	6%	3%	6%	5%	5%
	[VOL] Dont Know	8%	8%	10%	6%	7%	10%	7%	5%	11%	10%

		AGE 3-WAY		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE			REGION		
		50-64	65+	White no degree	White college	Non-white	Morris, Sussex	Passaic	Essex
Q12. Who do you trust more to work to keep health care affordable – Jay Webber or Mikie Sherrill, or do you trust both equally?	Jay Webber	33%	31%	35%	29%	13%	37%	17%	18%
	Mikie Sherrill	38%	36%	36%	42%	53%	36%	46%	48%
	Both equally	14%	22%	16%	17%	22%	14%	25%	18%
	(VOL) Neither one	7%	3%	4%	6%	3%	5%	3%	6%
	[VOL] Dont Know	8%	7%	10%	7%	9%	7%	9%	9%

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		Webber	Sherrill	Other- Undec
Q12. Who do you trust more to work to keep health care affordable – Jay Webber or Mikie Sherrill, or do you trust both equally?	Jay Webber	65%	0%	5%
	Mikie Sherrill	2%	82%	22%
	Both equally	21%	11%	26%
	(VOL) Neither one	6%	1%	18%
	[VOL] Dont Know	5%	6%	29%

		TOTAL	PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY			GENDER		AGE 3-WAY
			Rep	Ind	Dem	Con	Mod	Lib	Male	Female	18-49
Q13. Who do you trust more to handle tax policy – Jay Webber or Mikie Sherrill, or do you trust both equally?	Jay Webber	33%	69%	20%	3%	72%	23%	4%	43%	24%	25%
	Mikie Sherrill	37%	3%	40%	77%	2%	39%	74%	32%	42%	47%
	Both equally	17%	17%	18%	15%	14%	23%	13%	17%	17%	22%
	(VOL) Neither one	4%	2%	10%	1%	2%	6%	2%	3%	5%	2%
	[VOL] Dont Know	9%	9%	12%	4%	9%	9%	6%	6%	11%	5%

		AGE 3-WAY		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE			REGION		
		50-64	65+	White no degree	White college	Non-white	Morris, Sussex	Passaic	Essex
Q13. Who do you trust more to handle tax policy – Jay Webber or Mikie Sherrill, or do you trust both equally?	Jay Webber	39%	36%	35%	37%	16%	40%	26%	23%
	Mikie Sherrill	35%	29%	31%	37%	50%	30%	48%	45%
	Both equally	12%	18%	17%	15%	30%	15%	14%	22%
	(VOL) Neither one	3%	8%	6%	4%	0%	2%	6%	6%
	[VOL] Dont Know	12%	8%	11%	6%	4%	11%	6%	4%

		NJ11 HOUSE VOTE w/o LEANERS		
		Webber	Sherrill	Other- Undec
Q13. Who do you trust more to handle tax policy – Jay Webber or Mikie Sherrill, or do you trust both equally?	Jay Webber	74%	0%	11%
	Mikie Sherrill	3%	76%	12%
	Both equally	16%	18%	20%
	(VOL) Neither one	1%	3%	16%
	[VOL] Dont Know	7%	2%	41%

		TOTAL	PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY			GENDER	
			Rep	Ind	Dem	Con	Mod	Lib	Male	Female
Q14. Do you approve or disapprove of the tax reform plan passed by Congress in December? [PROBE: Do you (approve/disapprove) strongly or somewhat?]	Strongly approve	25%	49%	14%	6%	51%	19%	6%	36%	15%
	Somewhat approve	18%	27%	17%	7%	27%	17%	9%	18%	17%
	Somewhat disapprove	12%	12%	14%	11%	12%	12%	13%	10%	15%
	Strongly disapprove	34%	2%	38%	68%	1%	42%	62%	29%	38%
	[VOL] Dont Know	11%	10%	16%	8%	9%	10%	11%	7%	15%

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		AGE 3-WAY			WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE			REGION	
		18-49	50-64	65+	White no degree	White college	Non-white	Morris, Sussex	Passaic
Q14. Do you approve or disapprove of the tax reform plan passed by Congress in December? [PROBE: Do you (approve/disapprove) strongly or somewhat?]	Strongly approve	19%	27%	29%	23%	25%	23%	28%	19%
	Somewhat approve	16%	20%	16%	20%	18%	10%	22%	10%
	Somewhat disapprove	14%	13%	10%	12%	13%	11%	10%	13%
	Strongly disapprove	38%	32%	33%	27%	36%	45%	28%	37%
	[VOL] Dont Know	13%	9%	12%	17%	8%	10%	12%	21%

		REGION	NJ11 HOUSE VOTE w/o LEANERS		
		Essex	Webber	Sherrill	Other- Undec
Q14. Do you approve or disapprove of the tax reform plan passed by Congress in December? [PROBE: Do you (approve/disapprove) strongly or somewhat?]	Strongly approve	23%	53%	3%	7%
	Somewhat approve	14%	26%	9%	21%
	Somewhat disapprove	15%	10%	12%	22%
	Strongly disapprove	43%	2%	64%	33%
	[VOL] Dont Know	5%	8%	13%	17%

		TOTAL	PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY			GENDER		AGE 3-WAY
			Rep	Ind	Dem	Con	Mod	Lib	Male	Female	18-49
Q15. Have you heard that Jay Webber was endorsed by Donald Trump in a tweet last month, or havent you heard about this?	Heard	31%	35%	24%	34%	37%	23%	36%	32%	30%	34%
	Not heard	69%	65%	76%	66%	63%	77%	64%	68%	70%	66%

		AGE 3-WAY		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE			REGION			NJ11 HOUSE VOTE w/o LEANERS
		50-64	65+	White no degree	White college	Non-white	Morris, Sussex	Passaic	Essex	Webber
Q15. Have you heard that Jay Webber was endorsed by Donald Trump in a tweet last month, or havent you heard about this?	Heard	25%	34%	33%	31%	31%	33%	25%	31%	35%
	Not heard	75%	66%	67%	69%	69%	67%	75%	69%	65%

		NJ11 HOUSE VOTE w/o LEANERS	
		Sherrill	Other- Undec
Q15. Have you heard that Jay Webber was endorsed by Donald Trump in a tweet last month, or havent you heard about this?	Heard	30%	25%
	Not heard	70%	75%



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			Rep	Ind	Dem	Con	Mod	Lib	Male	Female
Q15A. Does Trumps endorsement make you more likely to support Webber, less likely to support Webber, or does it not change your vote choice either way?	More likely to support Webber	15%	28%	10%	3%	28%	10%	5%	23%	7%
	Less likely to support Webber	28%	1%	37%	53%	1%	32%	55%	22%	34%
	Does not change vote choice	56%	71%	51%	43%	71%	57%	38%	55%	57%
	[VOL] Dont Know	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%

		AGE 3-WAY			WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE			REGION	
		18-49	50-64	65+	White no degree	White college	Non-white	Morris, Sussex	Passaic
Q15A. Does Trumps endorsement make you more likely to support Webber, less likely to support Webber, or does it not change your vote choice either way?	More likely to support Webber	10%	20%	14%	17%	13%	14%	20%	6%
	Less likely to support Webber	31%	28%	27%	15%	32%	44%	23%	44%
	Does not change vote choice	59%	51%	59%	68%	54%	40%	56%	50%
	[VOL] Dont Know	0%	2%	1%	1%	0%	2%	1%	0%

		REGION	NJ11 HOUSE VOTE w/o LEANERS		
		Essex	Webber	Sherrill	Other- Undec
Q15A. Does Trumps endorsement make you more likely to support Webber, less likely to support Webber, or does it not change your vote choice either way?	More likely to support Webber	9%	31%	1%	9%
	Less likely to support Webber	30%	0%	54%	31%
	Does not change vote choice	60%	69%	44%	56%
	[VOL] Dont Know	1%	0%	1%	4%

		TOTAL	PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY			GENDER	
			Rep	Ind	Dem	Con	Mod	Lib	Male	Female
Q16. Has anything thats happened in the last few weeks related to the nomination of Brett Kavanaugh to the Supreme Court caused you to change your mind about who you will support in the election for House of Representatives, or hasnt it changed your mind?	Yes, more likely to support Webber	10%	18%	8%	2%	25%	5%	1%	13%	6%
	Yes, more likely to support Sherrill	8%	2%	11%	11%	2%	8%	12%	9%	7%
	Yes, more undecided	3%	0%	4%	5%	1%	5%	3%	4%	3%
	No, has not changed my mind	78%	79%	74%	82%	72%	80%	84%	74%	82%
	[VOL] Dont Know	1%	1%	2%	0%	0%	3%	0%	0%	2%

		AGE 3-WAY			WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE			REGION
		18-49	50-64	65+	White no degree	White college	Non-white	Morris, Sussex
Q16. Has anything thats happened in the last few weeks related to the nomination of Brett Kavanaugh to the Supreme Court caused you to change your mind about who you will support in the election for House of Representatives, or hasnt it changed your mind?	Yes, more likely to support Webber	5%	10%	14%	14%	7%	6%	12%
	Yes, more likely to support Sherrill	8%	6%	9%	9%	5%	13%	5%
	Yes, more undecided	6%	1%	2%	3%	1%	10%	2%
	No, has not changed my mind	79%	82%	74%	72%	87%	70%	79%
	[VOL] Dont Know	1%	0%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%

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		Passaic	Essex	Webber	Sherrill	Other- Undec
Q16. Has anything that's happened in the last few weeks related to the nomination of Brett Kavanaugh to the Supreme Court caused you to change your mind about who you will support in the election for House of Representatives, or hasn't it changed your mind?	Yes, more likely to support Webber	8%	6%	22%	0%	4%
	Yes, more likely to support Sherrill	20%	7%	2%	13%	10%
	Yes, more undecided	7%	4%	0%	5%	9%
	No, has not changed my mind	65%	82%	76%	82%	70%
	[VOL] Dont Know	0%	2%	0%	0%	6%