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TO: Interested Parties
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RE: Likely 2020 Democratic Primary Voters in NY-10 Strongly Favor Impeachment, Want Pro-Impeachment Representatives

In a January poll of New York’s 10th Congressional District, Change Research found that nearly 4 in 5 likely 2020 Democratic primary voters favor impeaching Donald Trump. Voters are unhappy about Congressman Jerrold Nadler’s opposition to impeachment: 90% say they would be less likely to vote for him in 2020 if he continues to oppose it, while nearly that many would be more likely to vote for him if he supports it.

Democratic primary voters in this district would strongly prefer if their Representative changed his position on impeachment. 87% would be more likely to vote for Rep. Nadler if he supports impeachment. Currently, voters are overwhelmingly concerned that Nadler opposes impeachment only because he is making a political judgment: 91% of Democratic primary voters believe this. And over 75% are concerned that the Congressman’s opposition to impeachment suggests that he will also be unwilling to stand up to Trump on policy issues like healthcare and voting rights.

Believe Trump is unfit for office	96%
Believe Trump should be impeached (pre-messaging)	77%
Believe Trump should be impeached (post-messaging)	80%
Rep. Nadler favorability rating	51%
Less likely to vote for Rep. Nadler if he opposes impeachment	90%

Voters in this district believe that Trump’s intimidation of Michael Cohen demonstrates the urgency of impeachment. 85% of likely Democratic primary voters believe that Cohen’s scheduled Congressional testimony, which was canceled because of “ongoing threats against his

family from President Trump,” makes it clear that the longer Trump is able to intimidate witnesses, the less likely it is that we’ll ever learn the truth.

These voters overwhelmingly believe that the urgency of impeaching Trump supersedes the prospects of a Republican-controlled Senate voting to remove him from office: 81% of Democratic primary voters believe that the House should use impeachment to indicate that Trump’s actions are unacceptable, regardless of what the Senate does.

When they’re told that Presidents Clinton and Nixon faced articles of impeachment for obstruction of justice and abuse of power, the number supporting impeachment rises above 90%.

Voters were shown a number of arguments for impeachment, and the ones they found most convincing touched on the themes of Trump working for the wealthy and corporations, and voters’ concern that their Representatives are unwilling to stand up to him because of their fear of offending their donors. Nearly 80% of respondents found an argument along these lines, which concluded, “Impeach Trump now and put the people’s rights over corporate profits,” to be convincing. A similar number found an argument that impeachment was necessary because members of Congress “continue to betray the trust of the people by refusing to stand up to an openly corrupt President who violates the rule of law” to be convincing.

Change Research was commissioned by Need to Impeach to conduct an online poll January 25-28, 2019 in New York’s 10th Congressional District. Using its Bias Correct Engine to attain a sample reflective of the electorate, Change Research polled 811 likely 2020 Democratic primary voters in the district. Post-stratification was performed on age, gender, ethnicity, and 2016 Presidential vote.