To: Interested Parties

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Re: Survey shows Kentucky voters support temporary halt of executions

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Executive Summary

- A solid majority of Kentucky voters (62%) support a temporary halt to executions in Kentucky, including 44% who support it strongly.

- Majority support for a temporary halt of executions includes men (59%), women (64%), voters in urban areas (71%), suburban areas (67%), exurban areas (55%) and voters in rural areas (55%).

- A temporary halt to executions in Kentucky also has support across partisan lines. Republican voters support the halt by a 10-point margin (52% support, 42% oppose), independents support it by a 16-point margin (54% to 38%), and Democrats support it by a 52-point margin (73% to 21%).

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1 Lake Research Partners conducted a survey of 405 likely November 2012 voters in Kentucky, using professional live interviewers. The survey was conducted from November 30 to December 4, 2011, using a stratified sample of Kentucky voters drawn from the voter file. Data were slightly weighted to represent the universe of Kentucky voters. The margin of error is +/- 4.9%.
Survey of Kentucky voters – December 2011

Temporary halt to executions in Kentucky?

- Total: 62 (Support) 32 (Oppose) 6 (Don't know)
- Men (48%): 37 (Support) 27 (Oppose)
- Women (52%): 27 (Support) 37 (Oppose)
- Democrats (44%): 21 (Support) 42 (Oppose)
- Independents (17%): 38 (Support) 24 (Oppose)
- Republicans (35%): 42 (Support) 21 (Oppose)
- Urban (29%): 24 (Support) 29 (Oppose)
- Suburban (18%): 29 (Support) 32 (Oppose)
- Exurban (17%): 42 (Support) 33 (Oppose)