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**To: Interested Parties**

**Subject: Wisconsin Voters Oppose ACA Repeal; Voters Say They Will Blame GOP for Upcoming Rate Increases**

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A new Public Policy Polling survey finds that voters in Wisconsin say they would be less likely to vote for a candidate who supports repealing the Affordable Care Act by a 13-point margin (49%-36%). Further, by a 29-point margin, Wisconsin voters oppose repealing the Affordable Care Act and instead want to keep what works and fix what doesn't. A majority of voters – 59% – say they'll hold Republicans in Washington responsible for health care premium increase announcements this summer and fall – a gaping 28-point margin over those who would not.

Key findings from the survey include:

- **By a 62-33 margin, voters say they want to keep what works about the Affordable Care Act and fix what doesn't, rather than repeal it and start over with a new healthcare law – independent voters agree by a 61-33 margin.**
- There's strong evidence that Republican efforts to repeal the ACA will hurt Wisconsin Republicans at the ballot box this November. A plurality of voters, 49%, say they'd be less likely to vote for a candidate who supports repeal, including 53% of independents and even 21% of Republicans.
- **Voters say they will blame Republicans if health care premiums increase this summer. 59% say they will hold Republicans in Washington responsible if rates increase, compared to just 31% who said they would not.**
- A majority of voters (53%) say they believe Washington Republicans and President Trump have been trying to undermine and sabotage the Affordable Care Act – and half of independent voters (50%) also say they agree with that statement.

PPP surveyed 689 registered voters Wisconsin from May 9-10, 2018. The margin of error is +/- 3.7%. The survey was conducted using automated telephone interviews for Protect Our Care.



## Wisconsin Survey Results

**Q1** Do you approve or disapprove of President Donald Trump's job performance?

*Approve* ..... 46%  
*Disapprove* ..... 50%  
*Not sure* ..... 4%

**Q2** Do you support or oppose the Affordable Care Act?

*Support* ..... 45%  
*Oppose* ..... 38%  
*Not sure* ..... 18%

**Q3** Which of the following would you most like to see the Congress do about the Affordable Care Act, given the choices of: keeping what works and fixing what doesn't, or repealing it and starting over with a new healthcare law?

*Keep what works and fix what doesn't* ..... 62%  
*Repeal it and start over with a new healthcare law* ..... 33%  
*Not sure* ..... 6%

**Q4** Would you be more likely or less likely to vote for a candidate who supports repealing the Affordable Care Act, or would it not make a difference?

*More likely* ..... 36%  
*Less likely* ..... 49%  
*Wouldn't make a difference* ..... 11%  
*Not sure* ..... 4%

**Q5** Will you hold Republicans in Washington responsible if health care premiums increase this summer, or not?

*Will hold Republicans in Washington responsible if health care premiums increase this summer* ..... 59%  
*Will not hold Republicans in Washington responsible if health care premiums increase this summer* ..... 31%  
*Not sure* ..... 10%

**Q6** Do you think Washington Republicans and President Trump have been trying to undermine and sabotage the Affordable Care Act, or not?

*Think Washington Republicans and President Trump have been trying to undermine and sabotage the Affordable Care Act* ..... 53%  
*Do not think Washington Republicans and President Trump have been trying to undermine and sabotage the Affordable Care Act* ..... 35%  
*Not sure* ..... 11%

**Q7** In the election for President, did you vote for Republican Donald Trump, Democrat Hillary Clinton, someone else, or did you not vote in the election?

*Donald Trump* ..... 45%  
*Hillary Clinton* ..... 45%  
*Someone else / Did not vote* ..... 10%

**Q8** If you are a woman, press 1. If a man, press 2.

*Woman* ..... 53%  
*Man* ..... 47%

**Q9** If you are a Democrat, press 1. If a Republican, press 2. If an independent, press 3.

*Democrat* ..... 32%  
*Republican* ..... 30%  
*Independent* ..... 38%

**Q10** If you are white, press 1. If other, press 2.

*White* ..... 87%  
*Other* ..... 13%



**Q11** If you are 18-45 years old, press 1. If 46-65, press 2. If you are older than 65, press 3.

<i>18 to 45</i> .....	30%
<i>46 to 65</i> .....	40%
<i>Older than 65</i> .....	30%