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**To: Interested Parties** 

Subject: Voters Disapprove of Trump's Handling of the Coronavirus Crisis and Trust Wolf Far More

(Toplines of Survey Can Be Found Here)

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Public Policy Polling's newest Pennsylvania survey finds that voters in the state think Tom Wolf is doing a much better job of handling the coronavirus than Donald Trump:

**-Wolf's net approval rating for his handling of the virus is 38 points better than Trump's.** Wolf has a +30 approval for it at 59/29, while Trump gets a -8 rating with only 44% approving and 52% disapproving of the job he's doing handling the virus.

-On the head-to-head question of who voters trust more to protect Pennsylvania from the coronavirus, **Wolf beats out Trump 58-35**, including a 52-37 spread with independents.

-On the question of who voters trust more to decide when to reopen the state **Wolf leads Trump by an even wider 30 point margin at 62-32**, including 60-31 with independents.

The survey also finds that Pennsylvania voters think social distancing measures need to stay in place and take a dim view of the protesters pushing for the country to immediately reopen:

-Only 17% of voters think social distancing measures should be relaxed with 54% believing that the current policies are correct and 27% supporting more aggressive measures than the ones already in place. Even among Trump voters only 32% think social distancing measures should be relaxed to 65% who think either the status quo or more aggressive measures would be the right approach.

**-Only 21% of voters say they support the protests** to immediately lift restrictions, compared to 70% of voters who say they oppose them. Among independents, it's a 26/64 spread against the protests.

-By a 21 point margin, 57/36, voters say they're more worried about they or someone in their family getting sick from the virus than they are about the economic impact it's having on their family.

Trump's overall approval rating in the state is 44/53, and he **trails Joe Biden 51-44** in a head-to-head matchup.





PPP surveyed 1,251 Pennsylvania voters on April 20<sup>th</sup> and 21st on behalf of Protect Our Care. The survey was conducted half by calls to landlines and half by texts to cell phones, and the margin of error is  $\pm/-2.8\%$ 

