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**Subject: Florida Statewide Governor General Election survey** 

conducted for FloridaPolitics.com

Date: September 6, 2018

#### **Executive Summary:**

This poll of 2,240 likely Florida general election voters was conducted from September 5, 2018 to September 6, 2018. This poll used the registered voter lists supplied by the state of Florida as of July 10, 2018. The sample of voters that were contacted included random samples of registered voters within the boundaries of the state of Florida.

The issues surveyed included questions related to Florida's 2018 General Election.

#### Methodology:

The poll was conducted through an automated phone call polling system. The results were then weighted to account for proportional differences between the respondents' demographics and the demographics of the active general election voter population for the state of Florida. The weighting demographics used were: political party, race, age, gender and media market.

The voters polled were chosen at random within the registered voter population within the state of Florida. Voters who said they were not planning to vote were excluded from the results below.

The scientific results shown for the questions below have a sample size of 2,240 and a 2.1% Margin of Error at a 95% confidence level.

## **Respondents' Demographics:**

Here is a summary of the demographic breakdown of the Registered voters who responded to this survey:

Political Party:	
Democratic 862 =	38.5%
Republican 871 =	38.9%
Independent 507 =	22.6%
Race Breakdown:	
White, Not Hispanic 1424 =	63.6%
Black, Not Hispanic 316 =	14.1%
Asian or Pacific Islander 53 =	2.4%
Hispanic 322 =	14.4%
Other or Unknown 125 =	5.6%
Gender Breakdown:	
Female 1197 =	53.4%
Male 1008 =	45.0%
Age Breakdown:	
18 to 29 264 =	11.8%
30 to 49 605 =	27.0%
50 to 69 849 =	37.9%
70 and up 522 =	23.3%
Media Market Breakdown:	
Pensacola 101 =	4.5%
Panama City 51 =	2.3%
Tallahassee 47 =	2.1%
Jacksonville 203 =	9.1%
Gainesville 54 =	2.4%
Orlando 432 =	19.3%
Tampa 560 =	25.0%
West Palm Beach 221 =	9.9%
Fort Myers 140 =	6.3%
Miami 431 =	19.2%

### **Summary of Scientific Results:**

If the election for Governor was held today, who would you vote for: Republican Ron DeSantis or Democrat Andrew Gillum?

Ron DeSantis: 47.3% Andrew Gillum: 47.6% Undecided: 5.1%

Do you support the Florida law that allows the use of medical marijuana if approved by a doctor?

Yes: **73.8%**No: **20.8%**Unsure: **5.4%** 

Should marijuana be legal or illegal in the State of Florida?

Legal: 49.3% Illegal: 42.3% Unsure: 8.4%

If a candidate for governor supported expanding Florida's medical marijuana law, would that make you more likely or less likely to support them? Or would it not make a difference?

More likely: 29.8% Less likely: 25.1% No difference: 45.0%

If a candidate for governor supported legalizing marijuana, would that make you more likely or less likely to support them? Or would it not make a difference?

More likely: 28.4% Less likely: 30.6% No difference: 41.0%

### **Detailed Results with Demographic Breakdowns for Each Question:**

## If the election for Governor was held today, who would you vote for: Republican Ron DeSantis or Democrat Andrew Gillum?

Ron DeSantis: 47.3% Andrew Gillum: 47.6% Undecided: 5.1%

Non-Weighted Results and Demographic Breakdowns:

DeSantis: 47.2% Gillum: 47.7% Undecided: 5.1%

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Democratic Pa		esponses			
DeSantis:	16.8%	Gillum:	78.9%	Undecided:	4.3%
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DeSantis:	77.4%	Gillum:	18.1%	Undecided:	4.5%
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DeSantis:	47.1%	Gillum:	45.4%	Undecided:	7.5%
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DeSantis:	53.4%	Gillum:	42.3%	Undecided:	4.3%
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DeSantis:	16.1%	Gillum:	78.5%	Undecided:	5.4%
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DeSantis:	47.2%	Gillum:	37.7%	Undecided:	15.1%
Hispanic 322					
DeSantis:	49.7%	Gillum:	43.8%	Undecided:	6.5%
Other or Unkn					
DeSantis:	49.6%	Gillum:	44.8%	Undecided:	5.6%
Gender Breakdo	wn:				
Male 1008 res	sponses				
DeSantis:	48.9%	Gillum:	45.4%	Undecided:	5.7%
Female 1197	responses				
DeSantis:	46.4%	Gillum:	49.1%	Undecided:	4.4%
Age Breakdown:					
18 to 29 264 i	esponses				
DeSantis:	42.0%	Gillum:	52.7%	Undecided:	5.3%
30 to 49 605 i	esponses				
DeSantis:	40.5%	Gillum:	52.9%	Undecided:	6.6%
50 to 69 849 i	esponses				
DeSantis:	50.9%	Gillum:	45.9%	Undecided:	3.2%
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DeSantis:	51.7%	Gillum:	42.0%	Undecided:	6.3%
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Panama City	51 respons	ses			
DeSantis:	72.5%	Gillum:	23.5%	Undecided:	3.9%
Tallahassee 4	7 respons	es			
DeSantis:	40.4%	Gillum:	57.4%	Undecided:	2.1%
Jacksonville	203 respoi	nses			
DeSantis:	<b>52.2</b> %	Gillum:	43.8%	Undecided:	3.9%
Gainesville 5	4 response	es			
DeSantis:	33.3%	Gillum:	59.3%	Undecided:	7.4%
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DeSantis:	46.1%	Gillum:	50.0%	Undecided:	3.9%
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# Do you support the Florida law that allows the use of medical marijuana if approved by a doctor?

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Non-Weighted Results and Demographic Breakdowns:

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Yes: 77.5% No:	16.4%	Unsure:	6.1%
Race Breakdown:			
White, Not Hispanic 142			
Yes: 75.8% No:		Unsure:	5.1%
Black, Not Hispanic 316			
Yes: 76.3% No:		Unsure:	7.6%
Asian or Pacific Islander	53 resp	onses	
Yes: 54.7% No:	34.0%	Unsure:	11.3%
Hispanic 322 responses	i		
Yes: 64.9% No:	31.1%	Unsure:	4.0%
Other or Unknown 125 r	esponse	s	
Yes: 75.2% No:		Unsure:	5.6%
Gender Breakdown:			
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Yes: 65.3% No:	28.0%	Unsure:	6.7%
Media Market Breakdown:			
Pensacola 101 response	es		
Yes: 74.3% No:	18.8%	Unsure:	6.9%
Panama City 51 respons	ses		
Yes: 76.5% No:	19.6%	Unsure:	3.9%
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Legal: 33.9%	Illegal:	57.9%	Unsure:	8.3%
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Fort Myers 140 response				
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