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Gabbard Constituents Want Her to Drop Out; Prefer Someone Else for Congress Next Year

Raleigh, N.C. – A new PPP survey of Democratic primary voters in Tulsi Gabbard's Congressional district, Hawaii's 2nd, finds that her constituents think she should drop out of the race and that she's likely to have trouble winning nomination for another term in the House next year.

60% of primary voters think Gabbard should drop out, compared to only 28% who think she should continue moving forward with her campaign. Gabbard is tied for third in the Democratic contest in her district. Elizabeth Warren leads the way with 25% to 22% for Joe Biden. Gabbard is tied with Bernie Sanders at 13%, with all of the rest of the candidates in single digits- Pete Buttigieg and Andrew Yang each get 5%, Kamala Harris is at 3%, and Cory Booker and Beto O'Rourke each come in at 1%. 11% say that they are undecided or that they would prefer one of the other candidates.

Hawaii has open primaries and given the hopelessness for Republicans of electing their own candidates to most posts in the state, a lot of conservative leaning voters participate in the Democratic primary because it's their best chance to influence who their elected officials will be. Trump voters are one segment of the Democratic primary electorate that Gabbard is leading- she gets 26% with them to 15% for Joe Biden with nobody else in double digits.

Beyond doing poorly in her home district in the Presidential race, it looks like Gabbard will have trouble if she runs for reelection to the House next year. 50% of Democratic primary voters in the district say they would generally prefer to vote for someone else, compared to just 38% who say they want to nominate Gabbard for another term. Gabbard does lead Kai Kahele 48-26 in a named primary match up, but incumbents who start out below 50% in a primary contest tend to have a pretty hard time winning nomination again. Gabbard's also under 50% with Democratic primary voters when it comes to her approval rating- 44% approve and 34% disapprove.

“Tulsi Gabbard’s constituents don’t want her in the White House in 2021,” said Dean Debnam, President of Public Policy Polling. “And it looks like they may not want her in the US House anymore then either.”

Besides the Gabbard angle, the Hawaii results further speak to the already well known racial and generational gaps within the Democratic primary electorate. Among white voters Warren dominates the race with 38% to 16% for Biden and 11% for Sanders and Gabbard. But among non-white voters, Biden has the advantage with 26% to 19% for Warren, 14% for Sanders, and 13% for Gabbard. Among seniors Biden has the advantage with 34% to 28% for Warren with no one else in double digits. But among voters under 45 Biden gets just 12% with Warren (27%), Sanders (26%), and Gabbard (13%) all outpacing him.

Gabbard has done well in her district in the past but a Presidential campaign can bring a whole different level of attention and notoriety and these results suggest that Gabbard's candidacy has hurt her standing quite a bit at home.

Public Policy Polling surveyed 990 Democratic primary voters from September 27th-29th. The margin of error is +/-3.1%. All participants were selected through a list based sample. 70% completed the survey by telephone call and 30% completed the survey by text message.



Hawaii CD 2 Survey Results

Q1 Do you approve or disapprove of the job Congresswoman Tulsi Gabbard is doing?

Approve 44%
Disapprove..... 34%
Not sure 22%

Q2 If the candidates for President next year were Democrat Joe Biden and Republican Donald Trump, who would you vote for?

Joe Biden..... 84%
Donald Trump 9%
Not sure 7%

Q3 If the candidates for President next year were Democrat Tulsi Gabbard and Republican Donald Trump, who would you vote for?

Tulsi Gabbard 73%
Donald Trump 10%
Not sure 18%

Q4 If the candidates for President next year were Democrat Elizabeth Warren and Republican Donald Trump, who would you vote for?

Elizabeth Warren 83%
Donald Trump 10%
Not sure 7%

Q5 Do you think Tulsi Gabbard should continue running for President, or do you think she should drop out of the race?

Think Tulsi Gabbard should continue running for President 28%
Think she should drop out of the race..... 60%
Not sure 12%

Q6 Generally speaking do you vote in Democratic or Republican primary elections, or do you not usually vote in primary elections?

Democratic primary elections.....100%
Republican primary elections..... 0%
Don't usually vote in primary elections..... 0%

Q7 If the Democratic candidates for President were Joe Biden, Cory Booker, Pete Buttigieg, Tulsi Gabbard, Kamala Harris, Beto O'Rourke, Bernie Sanders, Elizabeth Warren, and Andrew Yang who would you vote for?

Joe Biden..... 22%
Cory Booker..... 1%
Pete Buttigieg 5%
Tulsi Gabbard 13%
Kamala Harris 3%
Beto O'Rourke 1%
Bernie Sanders..... 13%
Elizabeth Warren 25%
Andrew Yang..... 5%
Someone else / Undecided..... 11%

Q8 Generally speaking in the Democratic primary for Congress next year would you vote for Tulsi Gabbard, or would you prefer to vote for someone else?

Tulsi Gabbard 38%
Prefer to vote for someone else..... 50%
Not sure..... 11%





Q9 If the Democratic candidates for Congress Tulsi Gabbard and Kai Kahele, who would you vote for?

Tulsi Gabbard 48%
Kai Kahele 26%
Not sure 27%

Q10 In the 2016 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 9%
Hillary Clinton..... 76%
Someone else / Did not vote..... 15%

Q11 If you are a woman, press 1. If a man, press 2.

Woman 58%
Man..... 42%

Q12 If you are a Democrat, press 1. If a Republican, press 2. If an independent, press 3.

Democrat 78%
Republican..... 2%
Independent..... 20%

Q13 If you are Hispanic, press 1. If native Hawaiian, press 2. If Asian, press 3. If white, press 4. If other, press 5.

Hispanic / Latino 4%
Native Hawaiian..... 17%
Asian..... 36%
White 34%
Other..... 9%

Q14 If you are 18-45 years old, press 1. If 46-65, press 2. If older than 65, press 3.

18 to 45..... 32%
46 to 65..... 39%
Older than 65..... 29%

Q15 Mode

Phone 70%
Text..... 30%





	Bas- e	2016 Vote		
		Donal- d Tru...	Hillary Clint...	Someone els- e / Did not v...
Gabbard Approval				
Approve	44%	44%	44%	47%
Disapprove	34%	40%	36%	19%
Not sure	22%	17%	20%	34%

	Bas- e	2016 Vote		
		Donal- d Tru...	Hillary Clint...	Someone els- e / Did not v...
Biden / Trump				
Joe Biden	84%	23%	94%	72%
Donald Trump	9%	69%	2%	9%
Not sure	7%	8%	4%	19%

	Bas- e	2016 Vote		
		Donal- d Tru...	Hillary Clint...	Someone els- e / Did not v...
Gabbard / Trump				
Tulsi Gabbard	73%	29%	79%	68%
Donald Trump	10%	62%	4%	10%
Not sure	18%	9%	18%	22%

	Bas- e	2016 Vote		
		Donal- d Tru...	Hillary Clint...	Someone els- e / Did not v...
Warren / Trump				
Elizabeth Warren	83%	25%	92%	73%
Donald Trump	10%	67%	3%	11%
Not sure	7%	8%	5%	15%

	Bas- e	2016 Vote		
		Donal- d Tru...	Hillary Clint...	Someone els- e / Did not v...
Think Tulsi Gabbard Should Continue Running / Drop Out of Race				
Think Tulsi Gabbard should continue running for President	28%	34%	25%	42%
Think she should drop out of the race	60%	63%	64%	41%
Not sure	12%	3%	12%	18%





	Bas- e	2016 Vote		
		Donal- d Tru...	Hillary Clint...	Someone els- e / Did not v...
Presidential Primary Vote				
Joe Biden	22%	15%	24%	17%
Cory Booker	1%	0%	1%	0%
Pete Buttigieg	5%	1%	6%	5%
Tulsi Gabbard	13%	26%	10%	17%
Kamala Harris	3%	-	4%	3%
Beto O'Rourke	1%	0%	1%	0%
Bernie Sanders	13%	9%	11%	27%
Elizabeth Warren	25%	4%	30%	15%
Andrew Yang	5%	3%	4%	9%
Someone else / Undecided	11%	40%	9%	7%

	Bas- e	2016 Vote		
		Donal- d Tru...	Hillary Clint...	Someone els- e / Did not v...
Gabbard / Someone Else Congress Vote				
Tulsi Gabbard	38%	41%	37%	41%
Prefer to vote for someone else	50%	42%	54%	38%
Not sure	11%	16%	9%	21%

	Bas- e	2016 Vote		
		Donal- d Tru...	Hillary Clint...	Someone els- e / Did not v...
Gabbard / Kahele				
Tulsi Gabbard	48%	45%	47%	55%
Kai Kahele	26%	33%	26%	17%
Not sure	27%	22%	27%	28%

	Bas- e	Gender	
		Wom...	Man
Gabbard Approval			
Approve	44%	43%	46%
Disapprove	34%	35%	33%
Not sure	22%	22%	22%





	Bas- e	Gender	
		Wom...	Man
Biden / Trump			
Joe Biden	84%	85%	83%
Donald Trump	9%	6%	12%
Not sure	7%	8%	5%

	Bas- e	Gender	
		Wom...	Man
Gabbard / Trump			
Tulsi Gabbard	73%	73%	72%
Donald Trump	10%	9%	11%
Not sure	18%	18%	16%

	Bas- e	Gender	
		Wom...	Man
Warren / Trump			
Elizabeth Warren	83%	85%	82%
Donald Trump	10%	8%	12%
Not sure	7%	7%	6%

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Beto O'Rourke	1%	1%	1%
Bernie Sanders	13%	12%	14%
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Andrew Yang	5%	3%	7%
Someone else / Undecided	11%	12%	11%

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Gabbard / Someone Else Congress Vote			
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Gabbard / Kahele			
Tulsi Gabbard	48%	46%	51%
Kai Kahele	26%	26%	25%
Not sure	27%	29%	23%

	Bas- e	Party		
		Democr...	Republic...	Independe...
Gabbard Approval				
Approve	44%	45%	50%	41%
Disapprove	34%	34%	27%	33%
Not sure	22%	21%	24%	26%

	Bas- e	Party		
		Democr...	Republic...	Independe...
Biden / Trump				
Joe Biden	84%	89%	71%	70%
Donald Trump	9%	6%	17%	19%
Not sure	7%	6%	11%	11%

	Bas- e	Party		
		Democr...	Republic...	Independe...
Gabbard / Trump				
Tulsi Gabbard	73%	76%	51%	61%
Donald Trump	10%	6%	26%	21%
Not sure	18%	17%	24%	18%





	Bas- e	Party		
		Democr...	Republic...	Independe...
Warren / Trump				
Elizabeth Warren	83%	87%	55%	73%
Donald Trump	10%	7%	26%	18%
Not sure	7%	6%	19%	9%

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Gabbard / Someone Else Congress Vote				
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Prefer to vote for someone else	50%	50%	51%	52%
Not sure	11%	12%	4%	9%





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Gabbard / Kahele				
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Kai Kahele	26%	26%	8%	27%
Not sure	27%	28%	47%	19%

	Bas- e	Race				
		Hispani- c / Lati...	Native H- awaiian	Asia- n	Whit- e	Othe- r
Gabbard Approval						
Approve	44%	51%	44%	36%	52%	44%
Disapprove	34%	41%	31%	38%	32%	30%
Not sure	22%	8%	26%	26%	17%	26%

	Bas- e	Race				
		Hispani- c / Lati...	Native H- awaiian	Asia- n	Whit- e	Othe- r
Biden / Trump						
Joe Biden	84%	66%	83%	86%	86%	81%
Donald Trump	9%	17%	8%	9%	7%	12%
Not sure	7%	17%	9%	5%	7%	7%

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Gabbard / Trump						
Tulsi Gabbard	73%	77%	74%	67%	79%	72%
Donald Trump	10%	15%	9%	10%	8%	13%
Not sure	18%	9%	17%	24%	13%	15%

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Warren / Trump						
Elizabeth Warren	83%	76%	78%	82%	89%	79%
Donald Trump	10%	17%	12%	9%	8%	13%
Not sure	7%	7%	10%	8%	2%	7%

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Not sure	12%	10%	10%	14%	11%	12%





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Kamala Harris	3%	-	5%	3%	3%	1%
Beto O'Rourke	1%	-	3%	0%	1%	2%
Bernie Sanders	13%	11%	15%	13%	11%	16%
Elizabeth Warren	25%	17%	16%	20%	38%	23%
Andrew Yang	5%	16%	5%	5%	3%	7%
Someone else / Undecided	11%	5%	11%	15%	8%	12%

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Kai Kahele	26%	22%	43%	21%	22%	22%
Not sure	27%	20%	24%	32%	23%	26%

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Gabbard Approval				
Approve	44%	40%	48%	43%
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Gabbard / Kahele				
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Kai Kahele	26%	28%	24%	25%
Not sure	27%	23%	27%	30%

	Bas- e	Mode	
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Approve	44%	47%	37%
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		Pho...	Text
Biden / Trump			
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Donald Trump	10%	13%	1%
Not sure	18%	18%	17%

	Bas- e	Mode	
		Pho...	Text
Warren / Trump			
Elizabeth Warren	83%	79%	93%
Donald Trump	10%	13%	2%
Not sure	7%	7%	5%

	Bas- e	Mode	
		Pho...	Text
Think Tulsi Gabbard Should Continue Running / Drop Out of Race			
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Not sure	12%	10%	17%





	Bas- e	Mode	
		Pho...	Text
Presidential Primary Vote			
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Pete Buttigieg	5%	6%	5%
Tulsi Gabbard	13%	13%	12%
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Beto O'Rourke	1%	2%	-
Bernie Sanders	13%	8%	24%
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Kai Kahele	26%	26%	23%
Not sure	27%	25%	30%

