## EPIC•MRA STATEWIDE SURVEY OF ACTIVE AND LIKELY NOV VOTERS [FREQUENCY REPORT OF SURVEY RESPONSES – 600 SAMPLE – ERROR ±4%] Polling Dates: July 24 through July 31, 2012

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\_\_03. Overall, would you say that things in the United States are generally headed in the right direction, or, have things pretty seriously gotten off on the wrong track?

31% Right direction

56% Wrong track

13% Undecided/Refused

\_\_04. How about in Michigan – are things generally headed in the right direction, or, have things pretty seriously gotten off on the wrong track?

44% Right direction

45% Wrong track

11% Undecided/Refused

Now, I would like to read the names of several political figures. For each one, please tell me if you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of that person. If you do not recognize a name, please tell me and we can move on. The first name is \_\_\_\_\_\_? "Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of that person?" [IF FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE, ASK: "Would that be very or generally?" AND CODE BEST RESPONSE]

[ROTATE Q.5 TO Q.9]	DO NOT RECOG	<u>VERY</u> <u>FAVOR</u>	TOTAL FAVOR	TOTAL UNFAV	<u>VERY</u> <u>UNFAV</u>	REF UNDEC
_05. Barack Obama	0%	25%	49%	46%	30%	5%
_06. Rick Snyder	1%	9%	47%	41%	19%	11%
_07. Mitt Romney	0%	9%	40%	48%	30%	12%
_08. Debbie Stabenow	1%	14%	47%	38%	17%	14%
_09. Pete Hoekstra (HOKE-struh)	10%	5%	25%	27%	12%	37%

\_10. Overall, how would you rate the job being done by Barack Obama as President -- would you give him a positive rating of excellent or pretty good, or a negative rating of just fair or poor?

- 14% Excellent
- Pretty good 30%
- **TOTAL POSITIVE** 44%
- 16% Just fair
- 39% Poor
- **TOTAL NEGATIVE** 55%
- Undecided/Refused 1%
- 11. Overall, how would you rate the job Rick Snyder has done as Michigan's Governor would you give him a positive rating of excellent or pretty good, or a negative rating of just fair or poor?
- 6% Excellent
- 39% Pretty good
- 45% TOTAL POSITIVE
- 30% Just fair
- 23% Poor
- 53% TOTAL NEGATIVE
- 1% Undecided/Refused
- \_\_12. How would you rate the job Debbie Stabenow has done as Michigan United States Senator would you give her a positive rating of excellent or pretty good, or a negative rating of just fair or poor?
- 12% Excellent
- 29% Pretty good
- **TOTAL POSITIVE** 41%
- 25% Just fair
- 25% Poor
- 49% TOTAL NEGATIVE
- 10% Undecided/Refused
- \_\_13. How would you rate your personal financial situation these days -- good, bad, or somewhere in the middle? [IF GOOD/BAD, ASK]: "Would that be very or somewhat (GOOD/BAD)?"
- 9% Very good
- 24% Somewhat good
- 33% **TOTAL GOOD**
- 51% Somewhere in the middle
- 8% Somewhat bad
- 7% Very bad
- 15% TOTAL BAD
- 1% Undecided/Refused

Thinking about this year's November general election, how would you vote on the following matchups?

\_\_14. If the election for President were held today, would you vote for Mitt Romney the Republican or Barack Obama the Democrat?

[**IF UNDECIDED, ASK**]: "Well, if the election were held today and you had to decide right now, would you lean toward voting for Mitt Romney the Republican or Barack Obama the Democrat?"

- 45% Vote for Barack Obama the Democrat
- 3% Lean toward Barack Obama the Democrat
- 48% TOTAL OBAMA
- 37% Vote for Mitt Romney the Republican
- 5% Lean toward Mitt Romney the Republican
- 42% TOTAL ROMNEY
- 10% Undecided/Refused

\_\_15. If the election for U.S Senate were held today and the candidates were Debbie Stabenow and Pete Hoekstra (**HOKE-struh**), would you vote for Pete Hoekstra the Republican or Debbie Stabenow the Democrat?

[IF UNDECIDED, ASK: "Well, if the election were held today and you had to decide right now, would you lean toward voting for Pete Hoekstra the Republican or Debbie Stabenow the Democrat?" AND CODE BEST RESPONSE]

- 44% Vote for Debbie Stabenow the Democrat
- 5% Lean toward Debbie Stabenow the Democrat
- 49% TOTAL STABENOW
- 29% Vote for Pete Hoekstra the Republican
- 6% Lean toward Pete Hoekstra the Republican
- 35% TOTAL HOEKSTRA
- 16% Undecided/Refused

\_\_34. Thinking again about the economy in Michigan, do you believe the economy in Michigan... [READ 1 TO 3]

- Has already bottomed out and is starting to improve
- 25% Is at the bottom but is not yet getting any better
- 17% Has not yet bottomed out and will still get worse
- 5% Undecided/Refused
- \_\_36. Based on your personal experience or what you know or have heard or read, do you support or oppose the efforts of the Tea Party movement? [IF SUPPORT OR OPPOSE, ASK: 'Do you strongly or somewhat (SUPPORT/OPPOSE) the Tea Party movement?' AND CODE BEST RESPONSE]
- 15% Strongly supports Tea Party movement
- 18% Somewhat supports Tea Party movement
- 33% TOTAL TEA PARTY SUPPORT
- 8% Somewhat opposes Tea Party movement
- 39% Strongly opposes Tea Party movement
- 47% TOTAL TEA PARTY OPPOSITION
- 20% Undecided/Refused
- \_\_37. Do you think of yourself as pro-choice, meaning that you support allowing women to have the right to an abortion, or do you consider yourself pro-life, meaning that you oppose abortions except where it is necessary to save the life of the mother?
- 48% Pro-choice
- 45% Pro-life
- 7% Undecided/Refused
- <u>44</u>. Generally speaking, do you consider yourself a Republican or a Democrat?
- (IF DEM) Do you consider yourself a strong Democrat or a not very strong Democrat?
- (**IF INDEP**) Do you consider yourself closer to the Republican or Democratic Party?
- (IF REP) Do you consider yourself a strong Republican or not a very strong Republican?
- 25% Strong Democrat
- 4% Not Strong Democrat
- 9% Independent-Lean Democrat ----- 38% TOTAL DEMOCRAT
- 21% Independent
- 12% Independent-Lean Republican
- 7% Not Strong Republican
- 17% Strong Republican ----- 36% TOTAL REPUBLICAN
- 1% Other
- 4% Undecided/Refused ----- 26% TOTAL INDEPENDENT/OTHER