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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Susan B. Anthony List  
FROM: B.J. Martino  
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DATE: June 5, 2019  
RE: Key Findings from a Survey of Voters in Massachusetts

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The Tarrance Group is pleased to present Susan B. Anthony List with the key findings from a survey of voter attitudes in Massachusetts. These key findings are based on telephone interviews with N=500 registered voters in Massachusetts. Responses to this survey were gathered April 29 to May 2, 2019 and the margin of error associated with a sample of this type is  $\pm 4.5\%$  in 95 out of 100 cases.

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Massachusetts voters broadly oppose allowing more late-term abortions in the state. At the same time, supermajorities support existing laws requiring that late-term abortions must be performed in hospitals, and requiring permission from a parent before a minor girl can get an abortion.

Sixty-two percent (62%) of Massachusetts voters oppose allowing more late-term abortions, while only 38% support allowing late-term abortions.

Democratic voters are split on the issue, 51% supporting and 49% opposing, while independents oppose by nearly 2:1 (34% support, and 66% oppose)

Even 44% of self-described pro-choice voters say they oppose allowing more late-term abortions.

Nearly three-fourths of voters (74%) support existing law requires that late-term abortions after 24 weeks must be performed in hospitals. Only 26% oppose this law.

Partisanship does not divide voters on this issue, with Republican and Democratic voters at 74% alike. Pro-choice voters in fact hold at 77% supporting this law, as pro-life voters decline to 69% (in opposition to any abortions being performed). Women hold at 74% as well.

Finally, a 62% supermajority supports the existing law that requires permission from a parent before a minor girl can get an abortion. Thirty-eight percent (38%) oppose.

Support holds at majorities among Democrats (55%), pro-choice voters (52%), and women (60%).

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