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To: Interested Parties

Subject: Democratic Primary for U.S. Senate in Illinois Remains Up for Grabs

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A poll among Democratic primary voters in Illinois finds that the race for U.S. Senate remains a two-person race, and despite spending another \$5 million since our September poll, Congressman Raja Krishnamoorthi appears to have stalled. Our polling continues to find that voters find the message of Lieutenant Governor Juliana Stratton appealing and in a race in which 39% remain undecided, she continues to have upside potential.

Some key findings from the survey include:

- In the initial matchup, 39% are undecided, down slightly from 41% in September. Krishnamoorthi leads with 32%, followed by Stratton at 20% and Robin Kelly at 9%. In September, Krishnamoorthi led with 33% to Stratton's 18% and Kelly's 8%. So, despite Krishnamoorthi spending another \$5 million, he has not continued to grow his support.
- Krishnamoorthi's name identification also saw no movement, stagnating at 61%.
- Stratton's name identification continues to grow despite zero spending from her campaign, going from 37% in September to 42% in December.
- Once voters learn more about Stratton's background and message, they are much more likely to vote for her. An informed vote shifts the race considerably toward Stratton, pushing her into the lead with 38% to Krishnamoorthi's 22% and Kelly's 7%. These findings replicate what we saw in our September poll.

Public Policy Polling surveyed: 667 likely Democratic primary voters from December 8-9, 2025. The margin of error is +/- 3.8%. 58% of the interviews for the survey were conducted by text message and 42% by telephone.

