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Subject: Flanagan Holds Commanding Lead in Minnesota Democratic Primary for U.S. Senate

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A new Public Policy Polling survey of 652 likely Minnesota Democratic primary voters finds Lt. Governor Peggy Flanagan in a commanding position in the race for U.S. Senate, leading Congresswoman Angie Craig 44-33. When voters hear basic information about each candidate's record, Flanagan's lead nearly triples, jumping to 55-25, a 30-point margin.

Key findings from the survey include:

- **Flanagan's favorability is exceptionally strong.** She holds a 57-9 favorable rating with likely Democratic primary voters, a net favorability of +48. Her endorsers are equally popular: Senators Tina Smith (68/6), Elizabeth Warren (79/7), and Bernie Sanders (81/6) are all viewed favorably by the overwhelming majority of this electorate.
- **Craig's immigration record is a serious liability.** Two-thirds of voters (67%) say Craig's record on ICE and immigration is a convincing reason to vote against her, including 42% who call it very convincing. That reaction runs well ahead of general antipathy toward Craig, whose overall favorability still stands at 54-19.
- **The environment favors Flanagan's positioning.** Just 2% of likely Democratic primary voters approve of Trump's job performance, and only 3% hold a favorable view of ICE. Nearly half of voters (47%) say they want a Senator with new ideas who wants to take the fight to Trump, almost double the 25% who prefer Washington experience.
- **Flanagan's coalition is broad and growing.** She leads Craig by 50 points among voters under 45 (66-16), by 46 points among Hispanic and Latino voters (71-25), and by 26 points among college-educated voters (53-27).

Public Policy Polling surveyed 652 likely Minnesota Democratic primary voters from April 29-30, 2026. The margin of error is +/- 3.8%. 67% of the interviews for the survey were conducted by text message and 33% by telephone. [Full poll results may be viewed here.](#)