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Shuler remains in the lead

Raleigh, N.C. - According to an OnPoint Polling and Research survey released today, Democrat Heath Shuler continues to lead the race for North Carolina's Eleventh Congressional District. Shuler leads Republican incumbent Representative Charles Taylor by a margin of 52% to 43% among likely voters. On October 17 Shuler led Taylor 51% to 43%.

The survey also found that 41% of respondents approve of the job President Bush is doing, while 55% disapprove. Sixty-three percent are dissatisfied with the direction of the country, and 32% are satisfied.

Thirty-nine percent approve of the way President Bush is handling the situation in Iraq, while 56% disapprove.

Please note the attached data crosstabs on gender, party affiliation, race and age.

OnPoint surveyed 834 likely Eleventh District voters on November 1 using a random sample of registered voters with a history of voting at least once in the past three years. The survey has a margin of error of $\pm 3.3\%$. Other factors, such as refusal to be interviewed and weighting, may introduce additional error that is more difficult to quantify. For information about OnPoint Polling and Research please visit our website at www.onpointpolling.com.

If you have questions about this release or would like an interview regarding this release, please contact Justin Guillory at 866 707-5390 or 919 744-6312.

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N.C. Congressional District 11 Survey: November 1, 2006

- Q1** If the elections for Congress were being held today, which candidate would you vote for - the Republican, Charles Taylor or the Democrat, Heath Shuler? If you would vote for Charles Taylor, press 1 on your keypad now. If for Heath Shuler, press 2. If you are undecided, press 3.
- Taylor*.....43% *Undecided*..... 5%
Shuler52%
- Q2** Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the direction of the country? If you are satisfied, press 1. If dissatisfied, press 2. If you don't know or don't have an opinion, press 3.
- Satisfied*.....32% *Don't know*..... 5%
Dissatisfied63%
- Q3** Do you approve or disapprove of the way President Bush is handling his job as President? If you approve, press 1. If you disapprove, press 2. If you are not sure, press 3.
- Approve*..... 41% *Not sure* 4%
Disapprove..... 55%
- Q4** Are you more enthusiastic about voting in this election than in recent elections, or less enthusiastic? If more enthusiastic about voting, press 1. If less enthusiastic, press 2. If about the same, press 3
- More enthusiastic*..72% *About the same*..... 11%
Less enthusiastic... 17%
- Q5** Do you approve or disapprove of the way President Bush is handling the situation in Iraq. If you approve, press 1. If you disapprove, press 2. If you are not sure, press 3.
- Approve*.....39% *Not sure* 4%
Disapprove.....56%
- Q6** If you are a woman, press 1, if a man, press 2.
- Women*53% *Men*.....47%
- Q7** If you are a Democrat, press 1. A Republican, press 2. If other, press 3.
- Democrat*.....39% *Other*.....20%
Republican.....41%
- Q8** If you are white, press one now. If you are African-American, press two now. If other, press 3.
- White*93% *Other*..... 4%
Black..... 3%
- Q9** If you are 18 to 29 years old, press 1 now. If you are 30 to 45, press 2. If you are 46 to 60, press 3. If older, press 4.
- 18-29*..... 7% *46-60*.....34%
30-45.....18% *Older than 60*.....40%

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	Base	Gender	
		Women	Men
Taylor v Shuler			
Taylor	44%	46%	40%
Shuler	52%	49%	55%
Undecided	5%	5%	5%

	Base	Gender	
		Women	Men
Satisfied with direction of the country?			
Satisfied	32%	34%	29%
Disatisfied	63%	61%	66%
Don't know	5%	5%	5%

	Base	Gender	
		Women	Men
Approval of President			
Approve	41%	45%	37%
Disapprove	55%	52%	59%
Not sure	3%	3%	4%

	Base	Gender	
		Women	Men
Voting enthusiasm			
More enthusiastic	73%	75%	71%
Less enthusiastic	17%	15%	19%
About the same	10%	10%	11%

	Base	Gender	
		Women	Men
Approval of Iraq			
Approve	40%	43%	36%
Disapprove	56%	53%	60%
Not sure	4%	4%	4%

	Base	Party affiliation		
		Democrat	Republican	Other
Taylor v Shuler				
Taylor	43%	16%	76%	30%
Shuler	52%	81%	21%	56%
Undecided	5%	2%	3%	14%

	Base	Party affiliation		
		Democrat	Republican	Other
Satisfied with direction of the country?				
Satisfied	32%	10%	59%	19%
Disatisfied	63%	89%	34%	71%
Don't know	5%	1%	7%	9%

	Base	Party affiliation		
		Democrat	Republican	Other
Approval of President				
Approve	41%	13%	74%	28%
Disapprove	55%	87%	21%	65%
Not sure	4%	0%	5%	7%

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	Base	Party affiliation		
		Democrat	Republican	Other
Voting enthusiasm				
More enthusiastic	72%	78%	73%	61%
Less enthusiastic	17%	13%	18%	23%
About the same	11%	10%	9%	16%

	Base	Party affiliation		
		Democrat	Republican	Other
Approval of Iraq				
Approve	39%	14%	69%	29%
Disapprove	56%	84%	26%	65%
Not sure	4%	2%	5%	6%

	Base	Race		
		White	Black	Other
Taylor v Shuler				
Taylor	43%	43%	48%	38%
Shuler	52%	52%	47%	37%
Undecided	5%	4%	5%	24%

	Base	Race		
		White	Black	Other
Satisfied with direction of the country?				
Satisfied	32%	32%	39%	32%
Disatisfied	63%	64%	55%	50%
Don't know	5%	4%	6%	18%

	Base	Race		
		White	Black	Other
Approval of President				
Approve	41%	41%	42%	47%
Disapprove	55%	56%	42%	40%
Not sure	4%	3%	16%	13%

	Base	Race		
		White	Black	Other
Voting enthusiasm				
More enthusiastic	72%	72%	66%	77%
Less enthusiastic	17%	17%	25%	7%
About the same	11%	10%	9%	16%

	Base	Race		
		White	Black	Other
Approval of Iraq				
Approve	39%	39%	42%	37%
Disapprove	56%	57%	52%	50%
Not sure	4%	4%	6%	13%

	Base	Age			
		18-29	30-45	46-60	Older than 60
Taylor v Shuler					
Taylor	43%	33%	44%	46%	43%
Shuler	51%	59%	50%	49%	53%
Undecided	5%	9%	7%	5%	4%

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	Base	Age			
		18-29	30-45	46-60	Older than 60
Satisfied with direction of the country?					
Satisfied	32%	24%	31%	38%	28%
Disatisfied	63%	69%	60%	58%	68%
Don't know	5%	8%	8%	4%	4%

	Base	Age			
		18-29	30-45	46-60	Older than 60
Approval of President					
Approve	41%	27%	46%	43%	40%
Disapprove	55%	67%	51%	53%	57%
Not sure	4%	6%	3%	4%	3%

	Base	Age			
		18-29	30-45	46-60	Older than 60
Voting enthusiasm					
More enthusiastic	72%	61%	64%	76%	75%
Less enthusiastic	17%	25%	21%	14%	16%
About the same	11%	14%	15%	10%	9%

	Base	Age			
		18-29	30-45	46-60	Older than 60
Approval of Iraq					
Approve	39%	33%	41%	43%	37%
Disapprove	56%	64%	55%	53%	58%
Not sure	4%	4%	5%	4%	5%