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## MEMORANDUM

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TO: INTERESTED PARTIES

FROM: TONY FABRIZIO, DAVID LEE & TRAVIS TUNIS

RE: DONALDS' HUGE LEAD IN GOP PRIMARY HAS GROWN EVEN LARGER

DATE: MAY 4, 2026

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In a recent survey of Florida Republican primary voters (RPV) (see methodology statement on last page), Fabrizio, Lee & Associates found Byron Donalds is dominating the Republican primary for Governor and his lead has grown since January. Rep. Donalds wins a 54% majority, a 9-point increase from January. Meanwhile, all three of his opponents are mired in the single digits. Undecideds have moved toward Byron Donalds at a greater rate than any other Republican candidate since January.

Despite their constant lies and attacks, Fishback and Collins are not gaining any real traction, and Byron Donalds is clearly the overwhelming favorite to be the GOP nominee in this year's election for Governor. Given the endorsement of the ever-popular President Trump and Donalds' clear financial advantage, it will be incredibly difficult for any challenger to catch up.

<i>If the Republican Primary for Governor were held today, which of the following candidates would you vote for? (READ AND RANDOMIZE NAMES)</i>		
	<b>January</b>	<b>April</b>
Byron Donalds	45%	54%
James Fishback	4	9
Jay Collins	6	7
Paul Renner	3	2
Undecided	41	28

**METHODOLOGY STATEMENT:** Fabrizio, Lee & Associates conducted a survey of 420 likely Republican primary voters from April 26-30, 2026. The interviews were split 40% live-operator cell phone/15% live-operator landline/45% SMS to web. Gender, age, race/ethnicity, and education were matched to demographic profiles of likely Republican primary voters based on the voter file and exit polls. Respondents were randomly selected from lists of registered Republican voters. The margin of sampling error at the 95% confidence interval is  $\pm 4.78\%$ . Trend data is from a similar survey of 600 Florida Republican primary voters conducted January 4-6, 2026.

**KEY DEMOGRAPHICS**

**Race/Ethnicity**

White	73%
Latino/Hispanic	17
African American/Black	6
Asian American	1
Other (SPECIFY)	1
Refused (DO NOT READ)	1

**Age**

18-44	22%
45-54	13
55-64	24
65-74	21
75+	18
Refused (DO NOT READ)	2

**Education**

High School or less	21%
Some College	42
4-Year College degree+	36
DK/Refused (DO NOT READ)	0

**DMA**

Tampa – St. Petersburg (Sarasota)	24%
Orlando – Daytona Beach – Melbourne	22
Miami – Ft. Lauderdale	13
Jacksonville	10
Ft. Myers – Naples	10
West Palm Beach – Ft. Pierce	9
Mobile – Pensacola	7
Panama City	2
Tallahassee	2
Gainesville	1

**Gender**

Female	51%
Male	49