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2024 CD 18 Special Election Poll Analysis

As we approach the critical decision of selecting a successor for the late Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee, understanding the current preferences within our community is more important than ever. This poll, conducted between August 5-7, 2024, with a total of 1,113 respondents, offers a timely snapshot of voter sentiment, providing precinct chairs with essential insights as they prepare to make this significant choice.

These results capture the landscape just before a series of key developments, including the endorsement of Sylvester Turner by Congresswoman Jackson Lee's children, Erica Davis announcing her candidacy, and the possibility of Sheila's daughter, Erika Lee, entering the race.

With a margin of error of $\pm 2\%$, the data highlights the leading candidates and reflects the mood within the district at this pivotal juncture. As the precinct chairs prepare to select the next representative for Texas's 18th Congressional District, this poll serves as a valuable guide, setting the stage for what is likely to be an increasingly complex and competitive selection process.

Sylvester Turner currently holds a slight lead, with 379 voters (34.2%) indicating their support. His broad appeal across both men and women suggests strong, consistent backing from various segments of the community, reflecting his established presence and connection within the district.

Amanda Edwards is a very close contender, with 363 respondents (32.8%) expressing support for her. Edwards enjoys nearly balanced support among male and female voters, indicating her widespread appeal and strong community ties. The close margin between Edwards and Turner underscores the competitive nature of this selection process.

Jarvis Johnson holds a notable position with 100 votes (9%), demonstrating particular strength among male voters. While his overall numbers are smaller, the support he has garnered could influence the precinct chairs' final decision.

Christina Morales and Letitia Plumber have received 33 (3%) and 29 votes (2.6%), respectively. Although their numbers are lower, the support they have cultivated within their communities should not be overlooked as precinct chairs weigh their options.

The **"Unknown" category**—representing 181 respondents (16%) who are undecided or chose not to disclose their preference—remains a significant factor. This group could be decisive, as their eventual leanings may shift the outcome in a meaningful way.

The data from this poll paints a clear yet nuanced picture of the race to succeed Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee. Sylvester Turner holds a narrow lead, with Amanda Edwards close on his heels, suggesting that the selection process is still very much up for grabs. The presence of a significant undecided group further complicates the landscape, indicating that precinct chairs will need to weigh their decisions carefully in light of these uncertain factors. With the margin of error at $\pm 2\%$, the race is clearly competitive, and any shifts in voter sentiment could tip the balance.

As precinct chairs prepare to make their choice, they face a dynamic and evolving situation. The entry of new candidates and high-profile endorsements may alter the current standings, making it crucial to consider not only the data but also the broader context in which this election is unfolding. Ultimately, the decision made in the coming days will shape the future of Texas's 18th Congressional District, and the insights from this poll will be invaluable in guiding that process.

Congressional District 18 Poll

Candidate	2024 CD 18 Special Election Poll		Total	Percentage
	Women	Men		
Dwight Boykins	12	16	28	2.50%
Amanda Edwards	166	197	363	33%
Jarvis Johnson	34	66	100	9%
Christina Morales	8	25	33	3%
Letitia Plumber	6	23	29	2.60%
Sylvester Turner	164	215	379	34%
Unknown	68	113	181	16%
	Primary Voters of CD 18			
	Between the ages of 35-85			
	17k texts messages sent			
	1,113 Total Responses			