Hello, my name is __________ and I am conducting a survey for Suffolk University/USA Today and I would like to get your opinions on some issues of the day. Would you like to spend seven minutes to help us out? Great, let me get you screened in.

1. Are you currently a registered voter in Michigan?
   (N=500) n %
   Yes --------------------------------- 500 100.00

2. For statistical purposes only, can you please tell me your ethnic background/ancestry?
   (N=500) n %
   Black/African American ------------------------ 490 98.00
   2 or more races --------------------------------- 10 2.00

3. Which two races do you feel closest to?
   {IF “BLACK/AFRICAN AMERICAN not mentioned as one of them, TERMINATE}
   (N=10) n %
   White/Caucasian --------------------------------- 3 30.00
   Black/African American ------------------------ 10 100.00
   Native American/Alaska Native ------------------- 1 10.00
   Hispanic/Latino ---------------------------------- 1 10.00
   Other ----------------------------------------- 5 50.00

4. Which do you most closely identify as – male, female, or non-binary (gender variant or non-conforming)?
   (N=500) n %
   Male --------------------------------- 240 48.00
   Female --------------------------------- 259 51.80
   Non-binary (gender variant, non-conforming) -------- 1 0.20

5. Do you think of yourself as a Democrat, Republican, or Independent? {IF INDEPENDENT, “Which party would you lean toward/feel closest to?”}
   (N=500) n %
   Democrat --------------------------------- 282 56.40
   Republican ------------------------------- 48 9.60
   Independent ------------------------------- 126 25.20
   Other ----------------------------------- 31 6.20
   Refused ---------------------------------- 13 2.60

6. What is your age category?
   (N=500) n %
   18-24 Years --------------------------------- 53 10.60
   25-34 Years --------------------------------- 93 18.60
   35-49 Years --------------------------------- 145 29.00
   50-64 Years --------------------------------- 124 24.80
   65-74 Years --------------------------------- 58 11.60
   75+ ----------------------------------- 26 5.20
   Refused ---------------------------------- 1 0.20
7. What is the highest level of education you have completed? (READ) 
   (N=500)  n  %
   Some high school ------------------------------- 75 15.00
   High school graduate --------------------------  99 19.80
   Some college -------------------------------- 181 36.20
   Trade/technical/vocational training ------------  33  6.60
   College graduate -----------------------------  74 14.80
   Master’s or PhD -------------------------------- 36  7.20
   Undecided -------------------------------------  1  0.20
   Refused ---------------------------------------  1  0.20

(FOR 7.3, 7.5 & 7.6)
8. Did you attend a historically Black college or university – yes or no? 
   (N=291)  n  %
   Yes ------------------------------------------  51 17.53
   No ------------------------------------------- 238 81.79
   Undecided ------------------------------------  2  0.69

9. Would you describe the place where you live as: (ROTATE ASC-DESC 9.1-9.3) 
   (N=500)  n  %
   Urban------------------------------------------ 255 51.00
   Suburban--------------------------------------- 207 41.40
   Rural-------------------------------------------  31  6.20
   Undecided--------------------------------------  7  1.40

10. Do you feel the country is headed in the right direction or is on the wrong track? 
    (N=500)  n  %
    Right Direction ----------------------------- 139 27.80
    Wrong Track----------------------------------- 269 53.80
    Undecided-------------------------------------  92 18.40

11. If the 2024 election for president were held today and you had the following six choices on your 
    ballot, for whom would you vote or toward whom do you lean at this time? (ROTATE) Democrat 
    Joe Biden, Republican Donald Trump, (RANDOMIZE) Green Party Jill Stein, Independent Robert 
    F. Kennedy Jr., Independent Cornel West, or Libertarian Party Chase Oliver? 
    (N=500)  n  %
    Democrat Joe Biden----------------------------- 272 54.40
    Republican Donald Trump----------------------  76 15.20
    Green Party Jill Stein-------------------------  5  1.00
    Independent Robert F. Kennedy Jr.------------  40  8.00
    Independent Cornel West------------------------ 31  6.20
    Libertarian Party Chase Oliver---------------  1  0.20
    Undecided-------------------------------------  69 13.80
    Refused---------------------------------------  6  1.20

(FOR 11.1 - 11.6)
12. How motivated are you to vote for (INSERT CANDIDATE)? Would you say: (ROTATE ASC- 
    DESC 12.1-12.4) 
    (N=425)  n  %
    Very motivated------------------------------- 213 50.12
    Somewhat motivated------------------------- 123 28.94
    A little bit----------------------------------  46 10.82
    I don't care that much----------------------  39  9.18
    Undecided-----------------------------------  13  0.24
    Refused-------------------------------------  1  0.24
{FOR 11.3-11.6}
13. With your first choice being {INSERT CANDIDATE}, who would be your second choice?
   (N=77) n  %
   Democrat Joe Biden ------------------------ 35  45.45
   Republican Donald Trump ------------------  5  6.49
   Green Party Jill Stein ---------------------  9 11.69
   Independent Robert F. Kennedy Jr. --------- 13 16.88
   Independent Cornel West -------------------  6  7.79
   Libertarian Party Chase Oliver -------------- 3  3.90
   Undecided ---------------------------------- 6  7.79
   Refused ------------------------------------- 0 0.00

{FOR 14.1 AND 11.2-11.8 BUT EXCLUDING 13.1}
14. Thinking back to the 2020 general election did you vote for (ROTATE 1 & 2) Democrat Joe Biden or Republican Donald Trump? Or did you not vote in the 2020 election?
   (N=500) n  %
   Democrat Joe Biden ------------------------ 378 75.60
   Republican Donald Trump ------------------  47  9.40
   Did not vote -----------------------------  58 11.60
   Third-Party candidate ----------------------  3  0.60
   Undecided ----------------------------------  5  1.00
   Refused -------------------------------------  9  1.80

{FOR 14.2 AND 11.1 or 11.3-11.8 BUT EXCLUDING 13.2}
15. Earlier you indicated you voted for President Biden in 2020, but you are not voting for him at this point. In your own words, what is the reason Biden has lost your support? {ACCEPT MULTIPLE}
   (N=98) n  %
   “Has done a poor job” ---------------------- 35 36.08
   “Has not kept his promises” ---------------- 11 11.34
   “Old/Mental state” ------------------------ 14 14.43
   “Wars/Funding/Support for Israel” ---------- 13 13.40
   “Invest in America” -----------------------  4  4.12
   “Economy/Inflation” -----------------------  6  6.19
   “Immigration” -----------------------------  3  3.09
   “Hasn’t lost my support/Undecided” --------- 13 13.40
   Other -------------------------------------- 13 13.40
   Don’t know/Refused/No answer ---------------  3  3.09

16. Earlier you indicated you voted for President Trump in 2020, but you are not voting for him at this point. In your own words, what is the reason Trump has lost your support?
   (N=9) n  %
   “Criminal” ---------------------------------- 1 11.11
   “Lost faith” ------------------------------- 1 11.11
   “Mental instability” ------------------------ 1 11.11
   “Racist” ------------------------------------ 1 11.11
   “Worries me” -------------------------------- 1 11.11
   “Clown/Loser” ------------------------------  2 22.22
   “Not voting” -------------------------------- 1 11.11
   Don’t know/Refused/No answer ---------------  1 11.11
17. Of the following 7 issues, which is the most important to you as you cast your vote this November? {RANDOMIZE 17.1-17.7}

(N=500)  n  %
Inflation/economy ........................................... 213 42.60
Immigration ......................................................... 24 4.80
Abortion ............................................................. 41 8.20
Threats to democracy ............................................ 73 14.60
Crime ................................................................. 26 5.20
Proxy wars in the Middle East and Ukraine ................... 30 6.00
Healthcare ............................................................ 69 13.80
Undecided ............................................................ 22 4.40
Refused ...............................................................  2 0.40

18. How has your household financial situation changed over the past four years? Would you say it has… {ROTATE ASC-DESC 18.1-18.5}

(N=500)  n  %
Significantly improved ........................................... 63 12.60
Somewhat improved .............................................. 118 23.60
Remained the same .............................................. 149 29.80
Somewhat worsened ............................................  81 16.20
Significantly worsened ..........................................  79 15.80
Undecided ............................................................  8 1.60
Refused ...............................................................  2 0.40

I’m going to read you a list of individuals, and for each, please tell me if you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of them. If you’ve never heard of someone, just say so. Let’s start with:

{RANDOMIZE 19-22}

(N=500)  Favorable  Unfavorable  No Opinion  Never Heard
19. Kamala Harris  301  122  62  15
   60.20  24.40  12.40  3.00
20. Donald Trump  116  362  22  0
   23.20  72.40  4.40  0.00
21. Joe Biden  306  156  38  0
   61.20  31.20  7.60  0.00
22. Barack Obama  441  45  14  0
   88.20  9.00  2.80  0.00

{RANDOMIZE 23-25}

23. If Donald Trump chose former Housing and Urban Development Secretary Ben Carson to be his vice-presidential running mate, would that make you more or less likely to vote for Trump?  
(N=500)  n  %
More likely ......................................................  84 16.80
Less likely ...................................................... 274 54.80
No difference ................................................. 105 21.00
Undecided ......................................................  37  7.40

24. If Donald Trump chose South Carolina Senator Tim Scott to be his vice-presidential running mate, would that make you more or less likely to vote for Trump?  
(N=500)  n  %
More likely ......................................................  52 10.40
Less likely ...................................................... 280 56.00
No difference ................................................. 115 23.00
Undecided ......................................................  53 10.60
25. If Donald Trump chose Florida Congressman Byron Donalds to be his vice-presidential running mate, would that make you more or less likely to vote for him?  
(N=500)  n  %  
More likely --------------------------------- 36  7.20  
Less likely --------------------------------- 283  56.60  
No difference --------------------------------- 128  25.60  
Undecided --------------------------------- 53  10.60  

{FOR 5.1}  
26. Earlier you indicated you are a Democrat. If for some reason Joe Biden was not running for president this year, which of the following 7 people would you like to see at the top of the Democratic ticket? {RANDOMIZE} Or is there someone else?  
(N=282)  n  %  
Michigan Governor Gretchen Whitmer----------------- 94  33.33  
Vice President Kamala Harris------------------ 38  13.48  
California Governor Gavin Newsom------------------ 18  6.38  
Georgia Senator Raphael Warnock----------------- 7  2.48  
Former First Lady Michelle Obama----------------- 98  34.75  
TV and Film Producer Oprah Winfrey--------------- 5  1.77  
Former Dem. Presidential Nominee Hillary Clinton----- 18  6.38  
Other ----------------------------------- 1  0.35  
Undecided --------------------------------- 2  0.71  
Refused----------------------------------- 1  0.35  

I’m going to gauge how much you support or oppose the following five issues. After I read you the issue you can say strongly support, support, oppose, or strongly oppose. {RANDOMIZE 27-31}  

(N=500)  Strongly  Support  Support  Oppose  Strongly  Oppose  Und  

27. Banning certain types of books in classrooms  65  78  115  208  34  
                                  13.00  15.60  23.00  41.60  6.80  
28. Teaching African American history in public schools  369  102  12  7  10  
                                  73.80  20.40  2.40  1.40  2.00  
29. Changes to affirmative action policies in colleges/universities  105  122  105  95  73  
                                  21.00  24.40  21.00  19.00  14.60  
30. The right to an abortion with few restrictions  184  167  56  64  29  
                                  36.80  33.40  11.20  12.80  5.80  
31. The right of transgender minors to get gender-affirming medical care  78  116  107  151  48  
                                  15.60  23.20  21.40  30.20  9.60  

32. Donald Trump has said that his criminal indictments have increased his support among Black voters because they see him as a fellow victim of discrimination and persecution in the justice system. Do you agree or disagree?  
(N=500)  n  %  
Agree-------------------------------------- 75  15.00  
Disagree---------------------------------- 397  79.40  
No opinion--------------------------------- 28  5.60
33. Do you personally find these comments offensive – yes or no?  
(N=500) n %
Yes --------------------------------------------- 275 55.00
No --------------------------------------------- 204 40.80
No opinion ------------------------------------- 21 4.20

The next questions are about the courts and our judicial system.

34. Overall, do you think our judicial system is fair – yes or no?  
(N=500) n %
Yes --------------------------------------------- 112 22.40
No --------------------------------------------- 357 71.40
Undecided -------------------------------------- 31 6.20

35. Do you personally know of someone who has been wrongly convicted – yes or no?  
(N=500) n %
Yes --------------------------------------------- 271 54.20
No --------------------------------------------- 226 45.20
Undecided -------------------------------------- 3 0.60

36. Recently, a Manhattan jury found former President Donald Trump guilty of falsifying business records on 34 separate counts related to his 2016 Presidential campaign. Does his conviction in this so-called “hush-money trial” make you more or less likely to vote for him?  
(N=500) n %
More likely ------------------------------------- 47 9.40
Less likely -------------------------------------- 322 64.40
No difference ---------------------------------- 121 24.20
Undecided -------------------------------------- 10 2.00

37. Of the following four options, what sentence would you impose on Donald Trump if you were the judge in this case? {RANDOMIZE}  
(N=500) n %
Sentence him to community service-------------- 50 10.00
Make him pay a hefty fine------------------------ 98 19.60
Sentence him to probation------------------------ 65 13.00
Sentence him to jail time----------------------- 256 51.20
Undecided -------------------------------------- 31 6.20

38. How would you describe your own political viewpoint – very liberal, liberal, moderate, conservative, very conservative? {ROTATE .1-.5 ASC-DESC}  
(N=500) n %
Very liberal------------------------------------- 39 7.80
Liberal----------------------------------------- 90 18.00
Moderate-------------------------------------- 222 44.40
Conservative----------------------------------- 84 16.80
Very conservative----------------------------- 30 6.00
Other---------------------------------------- 9 1.80
Don’t know------------------------------------- 26 5.20
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39. How often do you attend religious services? (ROTATE ASC-DESC) (N=500)  
   Daily/Weekly -------------------------------- 170 34.00  
   At least monthly --------------------------------- 80 16.00  
   Less than once a month -------------------------- 167 33.40  
   Never-------------------------------------------- 79 15.80  
   Refused-------------------------------------------  4  0.80

40. What is your annual household income? (READ) (N=500)  
   Under $20,000 per year -------------------------  91 18.20  
   Under $50,000 per year ------------------------- 133 26.60  
   Under $75,000 per year -------------------------  75 15.00  
   Under $100,000 per year ------------------------  74 14.80  
   Under $140,000 per year ------------------------  58 11.60  
   $140,000 per year or more ---------------------  30  6.00  
   Undecided-------------------------------------  12  2.40  
   Refused--------------------------------------  27  5.40

[THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. HAVE A NICE DAY/EVENING.]