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SUBJECT: Harris Creates Strong Down-Ballot Opportunity

Overview

San Francisco radical Kamala Harris is seizing the Democrat nomination from Scranton Joe Biden. Democrats subverted the democratic process to anoint Kamala Harris with no input from their voters, and Republicans must be ready to shift gears.

As Democrats and the media laud Kamala Harris, it is important to remember the only reason Joe Biden held on as long as he did was by aggressively making the case that his Vice President is an even worse candidate than him. The only reason Democrats settled on Harris is that it would be politically "untenable" to skip over her.

Furthermore, Kamala Harris creates a strong down-ballot opportunity for Republicans. The case against Joe Biden relied in part on the fact that he was mentally unfit to hold office, which was difficult to translate down-ballot. Kamala Harris owns the Biden Administration's baggage and is an avowed radical. An endorsement of Kamala Harris is an endorsement of her extreme agenda, and Harris is arguably a bigger threat to Democrats' Senate majority than Joe Biden.

Public Polling

- President Trump leads Kamala Harris by nearly 2 points nationally.
- Kamala Harris has a net -15% approval rating among the American electorate. This is roughly on par with Joe Biden.
- Private polling shows Kamala Harris is as, if not more, unpopular than Joe Biden in every single competitive state.

Extreme Agenda

Most Liberal Senator:

- Kamala Harris was ranked the country's most liberal Senator by nonpartisan GovTrack.
- The socialist "Squad" quickly rallied around their ideological ally Kamala Harris.

Immigration:

- Kamala Harris is Joe Biden's border czar and the architect of his biggest failure.
- Kamala Harris pledged to decriminalize border crossings.
- Kamala Harris supports abolishing ICE and starting from scratch.
- Harris bragged that one of the first things the Harris-Biden Administration did was send a bill to Congress to grant amnesty for illegal immigrants.



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Energy:

- Kamala Harris [pledged](#) to eliminate the filibuster to pass the Green New Deal.
- Kamala Harris unequivocally [pledged](#) to ban fracking.

Crime:

- Harris [said](#) it was outdated and wrongheaded to put more police on the street. Instead, she joined defund the police activists in calling for a “reimagining of public safety.”
- Kamala Harris [pledged](#) to eliminate cash bail and release criminals to commit more crimes.
- Kamala Harris [backed](#) a bail fund that sprung a convicted criminal who went on to kill a man.
- Kamala Harris is [open to](#) convicted terrorists being granted voting rights.
- Kamala Harris [started](#) a program to drop charges against drug dealers and give them counseling instead.

Health Care:

- Kamala Harris pledged to [eliminate](#) private health insurance, which [infuriates](#) critical unions.
- Kamala Harris [cosponsored](#) Bernie Sanders’ [\\$32 trillion Medicare for All](#) proposal.

Foreign Policy:

- Kamala Harris [sides](#) with Hamas terrorists, not Israel.

Second Amendment:

- Kamala Harris [supports](#) confiscating legally purchased firearms through a mandatory buyback program.

Weird:

- Kamala Harris has a habit of [laughing](#) at inappropriate moments.
- Kamala Harris [pledged](#) to ban plastic straws.
- Kamala Harris is in favor of [banning](#) certain behaviors, like eating red meat.
- Kamala Harris [loves](#) Venn diagrams.
- Kamala Harris [loves](#) electric school busses because she went to school on a school bus.
- Kamala Harris recently [discovered](#) that electricity doesn’t smell.

Conclusion

Candidates should not be shy about aggressively tying their opponents to Kamala Harris’ extreme agenda. Kamala Harris is not a good candidate. When she ran for President the first time, she dropped out of the race before Iowa and was polling behind Andrew Yang.