

TO: Interested Parties
FROM: Global Strategy Group
DATE: April 2, 2019
RE: **NEW POLL: Coloradans strongly object to family separation, demand action by Gardner to end it**

Coloradans have strong feelings about the Trump administration's family separation policy, as they are deeply concerned about family separations and overwhelmingly want to see Congress take action to end the policy. These feelings carry over to Coloradans' impressions of Cory Gardner, as majorities of his constituents say they would view him unfavorably and support replacing him in office if he does not take action to force and end to the family separation policy.

Key findings from Global Strategy Group's recent poll of 602 likely 2020 voters in Colorado are as follows:

- **Coloradans overwhelmingly oppose family separation.** Coloradans oppose the Trump administration's family separation policy by a two-to-one margin (32% support/64% oppose), and a majority (57%) oppose it strongly.
- **Coloradans are deeply troubled about both the policy and its impact on separated children.** Nearly three-quarters (73%) say they are concerned about the family separation policy, including 54% who are "very" concerned. Coloradans also have serious concerns about the way the policy has been carried out, including that:
 - There have now been many reported incidents of sexual abuse of children in U.S. custody (82% concerned, including 70% who are "very" concerned)
 - Some children may never be reunified with their families (78% concerned, 66% very concerned)
 - The administration separated children from their families without a plan or system to return them (78% concerned, 64% very concerned)
- **Coloradans urge action by Congress to hold the administration accountable and end family separations.** Nearly two-thirds of Coloradans support action by Congress to increase accountability on the administration and force an end to the family separation policy (66% support/31% oppose), including 55% who strongly support Congressional action on the issue.
- **Gardner stands to lose constituents' support if he doesn't hold the administration accountable for separating families.** Coloradans currently have mixed feelings about Gardner (35% favorable/43% unfavorable) and lean toward replacing him in office next year (30% re-elect/55% replace). In the event that he doesn't take action to force the administration to end family separations, nearly two-thirds of Gardner's constituents say they would feel unfavorably toward him (27% favorable/65% unfavorable) and Coloradans would support replacing him in office by a two-to-one margin (29% re-elect/61% replace).

ABOUT THIS POLL: Global Strategy Group conducted a survey of 602 likely 2020 general election voters in Colorado from March 13 to 17, 2019. The results of this survey have a margin of error of +/-4.0%. Care has been taken to ensure the geographic and demographic divisions of the expected electorate are properly represented based on historical turnout.