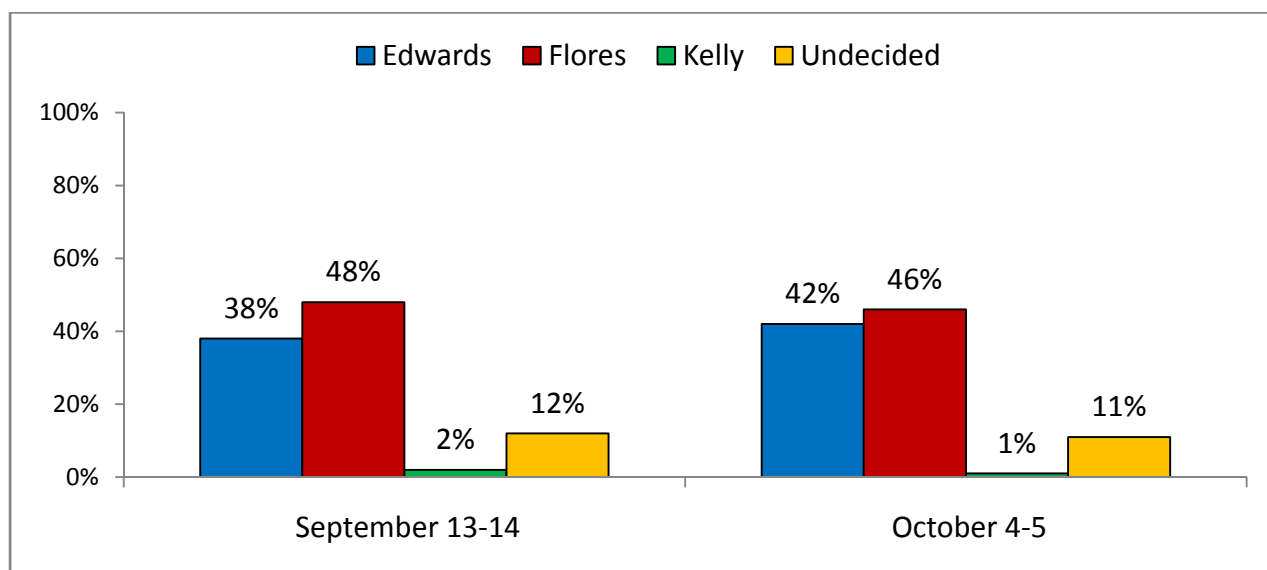


MEMORANDUM

TO: CHET EDWARDS FOR CONGRESS CAMPAIGN
FROM: BENNETT, PETTS & NORMINGTON
DATE: OCTOBER 7, 2010
RE: NEW POLL FINDINGS

CHET EDWARDS IN TIGHT RACE WITH CHALLENGER BILL FLORES

Findings from our most recent survey conducted October 4-5 show Chet Edwards gaining ground and moving into a tight race with challenger Bill Flores. Over the last three weeks Edwards has cut Flores' margin by more than half, with the race closing from ten points down to only four. Currently, Edwards receives 42% of the vote while Flores receives 46% and eleven percent still undecided in the race for Congress in TX-17. In a district where Republicans outnumber Democrats by a margin of two-to-one, Chet Edwards is in a neck-and-neck race with his opponent.



These findings are based upon two surveys of 400 likely voters each in TX-17. The first survey was conducted September 13-14, 2010 and the second survey was conducted October 4-5, 2010. The margin of error for each of these surveys is $\pm 4.9\%$.