

### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### Calandra trails in Markham-Stouffville

### Liberal's Philpott with more than half the vote

TORONTO October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015 - In a random sampling of public opinion taken by the Forum Poll™ among 439 voters in the new GTA federal riding of Markham-Stouffville, more than half (51%) will vote for the Liberal candidate, Jane Philpott, while just 4-in-10 will vote for the Conservative quasi-incumbent, Paul Calandra (40%). Very few will vote NDP (6%) or Green (2%).

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# TORONTO October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015 HIGHLIGHTS:

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### Methodology

The Forum Poll™ was conducted by Forum Research with the results based on an interactive voice response telephone survey of 439 randomly selected voters in Toronto, Ontario. The poll was conducted between October 2<sup>nd</sup> and October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015.

Results based on the total sample are considered accurate +/- 5%, 19 times out of 20. Subsample results will be less accurate. Margins of error for subsample (such as age, gender) results are available at <a href="https://www.forumresearch.com/samplestim.asp">www.forumresearch.com/samplestim.asp</a>

Where appropriate, the data has been statistically weighted by age, region, and other variables to ensure that the sample reflects the actual population according to the latest Census data.

This research is not necessarily predictive of future outcomes, but rather, captures opinion at one point in time. Each party's success at the ballot box will depend on their success at getting out the vote. Forum Research conducted this poll as a public service and to demonstrate our survey research capabilities. Forum houses its poll results in the Data Library of the Department of Political Science at the University of Toronto.

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### Federal Vote Preference

'A federal election has been called for Monday, October 19. Which party's candidate are you most likely to vote for in this election in your riding of Markham-Stouffville?'+ 'Even though you may not have made up your mind, which party's candidate are you leaning towards at this time?'

[Decided/Leaning]

### Age / Gender

%	Total	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Male	Female
Sample	423	18	42	80	104	179	187	236
Paul Calandra, Conservative	40	28	40	37	38	43	41	39
Jane Philpott, Liberal	51	50	41	55	58	48	50	53
Gregory Hines, NDP	6	6	16	6	3	6	8	5
Myles O'Brien, Green	2	11	3	1	1	2	2	2
Another party	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	1

#### Income

%	Total	<\$20K	\$20- \$40K	\$40- \$60K	\$60- \$80K	\$80- \$100K	\$100- \$250K
Sample	423	22	57	56	52	44	100
Paul Calandra, Conservative	40	40	43	40	50	39	34
Jane Philpott, Liberal	51	34	47	47	40	56	61
Gregory Hines, NDP	6	14	7	8	8	4	4
Myles O'Brien, Green	2	9	2	5	1	0	1
Another party	0	4	0	0	0	0	0

#### Past Federal Vote

%	Total	Conservative	Liberal	New Democratic	Green	Bloc Quebecois	Other Parties
Sample	423	195	152	26	9	6	11
Paul Calandra, Conservative	40	75	2	13	12	25	0
Jane Philpott, Liberal	51	20	92	35	72	51	80
Gregory Hines, NDP	6	3	5	49	10	0	9
Myles O'Brien, Green	2	1	1	2	6	13	6
Another party	0	0	0	0	0	11	5

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