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## **Paul Carmouche Holds 11 Point Lead in Latest Poll**

SHREVEPORT, La – Caddo Parish District Attorney and Fourth District Congressional Candidate Paul Carmouche’s campaign today released new polling showing Carmouche leading Republican candidate John Fleming by 11 points (48% to 37%) in an initial match-up of all candidates for the December 6 election. These results show that Carmouche is increasing his 10 point lead held over Fleming in polling released earlier this month.

People still like and trust Carmouche and he holds a 4-to-1 favorability margin (60% favorable to 15% unfavorable). Meanwhile, Fleming has been damaged by his support for a risky scheme to privatize Social Security and raise taxes on middle class families, and now has a less than 2-to-1 margin (47% favorable to 30% unfavorable). The majority of voters also believe that Carmouche is tougher on crime than Fleming and voters trust Carmouche more than Fleming to create jobs and protect taxpayers’ money.

“Voters in the district continue to see Paul Carmouche as a strong, independent voice for change and they know he will work to get our country’s economy back on track for middle class families,” said Bert Kaufman, spokesman for Carmouche. “Paul Carmouche has been a tough, fair District Attorney for 30 years, and in Congress he will fight to make our economy work for the middle class and invest in oil and natural gas drilling right here in Northwest Louisiana to bring more jobs.”

The poll was conducted November 18-19, 2008 by the Kitchens Group among 400 likely December 6 election voters, with a margin of error of  $\pm 4.9\%$ . A detailed polling memo is attached.

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