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ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO – President Obama has a significant lead over Mitt Romney among New Mexico voters, according to a new poll conducted for Patriot Majority.org) in conjunction with Project New America (www.ProjectNewAmerica.com). Interestingly, former New Mexico Governor and Libertarian candidate Gary Johnson receives 21% of New Mexico's Independent vote, only slightly less than Romney's 28%.

According to the Patriot Majority poll of 502 voters conducted May 16-21, 2012 by **Fairbank, Maslin, Maullin, Metz & Associates (FM3)**, the President leads Romney by 48% to 35%. Twelve percent of New Mexico voters support the candidacy of Libertarian Gary Johnson, the state's former governor. Five percent are undecided. The poll's margin of error is 4.4.%.

Obama 48%Romney 35%Johnson 12%Und./Other 5%

The President also <u>led Romney among almost all age and demographic groups</u>. The presence of Gary Johnson on the ballot significantly undercuts Romney's longer-term viability and may result in legal efforts by GOP-aligned groups to knock Johnson off the November ballot.

The poll's findings offer insight into the hotly contested <u>Hispanic vote</u> -- critical to success in such states as NM, NV, CO and AZ. President Obama currently leads with 62% support among Hispanic voters, contrasted with only 24% for Romney and 9% for Johnson. These numbers indicate a major structural difficulty for Romney in competing for votes in this critical and emerging bloc of American voters."

Patriot Majority was formed in 2005 to protect the American Dream and strengthen our national security. Patriot Majority also independently and actively opposes policy makers and candidates whose policies would make America weaker. **Project New America** is a private company that provides the most cutting edge tools to understand and communicate with a rapidly changing America. Through its unique model, PNA develops, conducts, aggregates, and disseminates research, messaging, and on-going strategic guidance with the nation's leading progressive stakeholders.

Below are cross-tabs documenting the breakdown of President Obama's 48%-35% lead over Republican Mitt Romney.

Candidate	All Voters	Age								
		18-29	30-39	40-49	50-64	65-74	75+	18-49	50+	65+
Obama	48%	49%	54%	52%	48%	46%	42%	52%	47%	45%
Romney	35%	29%	31%	36%	32%	35%	51%	32%	36%	40%
Johnson	12%	18%	13%	10%	11%	11%	6%	13%	10%	9%
Und./Other	5%	4%	2%	2%	9%	8%	2%	2%	8%	6%

Candidate	All	Gender			
Candidate	Voters	Male	Female		
Obama	48%	43%	53%		
Romney	35%	38%	32%		
Johnson	12%	16%	9%		
Und./Other	5%	4%	7%		

		Ethnicity			
Candidate	All Voters	Latino	White	All Voters of Color	
Obama	48%	62%	39%	57%	
Romney	35%	24%	43%	26%	
Johnson	12%	9%	12%	12%	
Und./Other	5%	4%	6%	5%	