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Institutional Review Board for Human Participants

Concurrence of Exemption

To:	Suzanne Mettler	
From:	Katie Nickless, Compliance Administrator, ORIA	
Date:	September 24, 2013	
RE:	**Protocol ID#:**	1309004128
	Project(s):	Shaping the Health of Democracy: The Impact of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010 on Americans' Political Attitudes and Behavior Over Time

I have reviewed the above-referenced project and found it to qualify for **Exemption from IRB Review** according to paragraph #2 of the Department of Health and Human Services Code of Federal Regulations 45 CFR 46.101(b).

This proposal has not been evaluated for scientific merit, except to weigh the risk to the human participants in relation to the potential benefits.

Please be aware of the following:

- Exemption from IRB review does not absolve the investigator from ensuring that the welfare of the research subjects is protected and that methods used and information provided to gain participant consent are appropriate to the activity. It is your responsibility as a researcher to familiarize yourself with and conduct the research in accordance with the ethical standards of the Belmont Report (http://ohsr.od.nih.gov/guidelines/belmont.html).
- You must notify the IRB office of changes or amendments to the above-referenced protocol **BEFORE** their implementation.
- You are not required to submit progress reports or requests for continuing review/approval to the IRB office, unless you modify your study protocol.