

Adler spokesman Michael Muller said that the poll shows the challenger within striking distance of the incumbent and that support for her campaign is growing.

"With less than five weeks left until Election Day, the Stockton poll confirmed that Shelley Adler has a real opportunity to unseat Congressman Runyan," Muller said. "As voters are getting to learn more about Shelley Adler and the truth about Congressman Runyan's record to dismantle Medicare, encourage companies to ship American jobs overseas and provide massive taxpayer giveaways to millionaires and Big Oil, this race will continue to tighten."

Muller claimed the poll also shows the district isn't necessarily the GOP stronghold some believe it to be, with both Obama and Menendez leading.

"Despite Congressman Runyan's celebrity, he is beatable in an anti-incumbent year, with Congress having a record-high 87 percent disapproval rating," he said. "Shelley Adler is well positioned and poised to unseat Congressman Runyan, because middle-class families, small businesses, women and seniors are tired of the partisan bickering in this Congress and want a new direction. Shelley Adler will provide a new direction, and this poll sends a clear message that in the final months, this is clearly going to be one of the most competitive contests in the nation."

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