

## Executive Summary

### **Key Takeaway: Most Republican and Right-Leaning voters in North Carolina have heard of assisted suicide.**

- 80% of participants in the survey have heard of assisted suicide, Medical Aid in Dying, and/or Death with Dignity.
  - Across all age groups, 80% of participants have heard of assisted suicide, Medical Aid in Dying, and/or Death with Dignity.
  - Across all religions, 80% of participants have heard of assisted suicide, Medical Aid in Dying, and/or Death with Dignity.
- 77% of participants who have heard of assisted suicide, Medical Aid in Dying, and/or Death and Dignity have seen a family member or close friend suffer from a long, painful end-of-life experience.

### **Key Takeaway: Most participants agree that terminally ill competent adults should have the option to take a life-ending medication prescribed by a doctor.**

- 50% of survey participants agree that terminally ill competent adults should have the option to take a life-ending medication prescribed by a doctor.
  - Of those, 28% strongly agree, and 22% somewhat agree.
- 26% disagree and do not want terminally ill competent adults to be able to take their own lives.
  - 26% of participants were without an opinion or unsure.
- 56% of Mainstream Protestants agree with the statement.
- 60% of Roman Catholics agree with the statement.
  - 38% of which strongly agree.
- 45% of Born-Again Protestants disagree, making them the religious group opposing the option for terminally ill competent adults to take a life-ending medication prescribed by a doctor the most.
  - 33% of Born-Again Protestants strongly disagree.

### **Key Takeaway: Most participants believe that the end-of-your-life decision rules should be their choice.**

- 77% of participants believe it should be up to oneself to decide the rules of the end of your life.
  - 64% believe it outright, and 13% lean towards an individual's decision.
- 84% of those who believe in the individual's choice believe that terminally ill competent adults should have the option to take a life-ending medication prescribed by a doctor.