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Dear Editors:

Attached is our manuscript draft, “Measuring Stability and Change in Personal Culture Using Panel Data.”

The article adjudicates between two theoretical models of individual attitude change that underlie models of cultural change at the macro level. Using panel data from the General Social Survey, we show that most of the change we observe in adults on a broad range of issues is either temporary change or measurement error; that individuals are relatively stable in terms of their attitudes and behaviors through adulthood. The pattern of results suggests that most cultural change must come through a process of cohort succession.

Please do not hesitate to contact corresponding author Kevin Kiley with any questions. He can be reached at 919-604-0883 or [kevin.kiley@duke.edu](mailto:kevin.kiley@duke.edu). Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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