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## **RAVENNA PLAYER CLAIMS**

### **\$40 MILLION *POWERBALL*<sup>®</sup> JACKPOT**

(AUSTIN) – Paul McDowell of Ravenna (located in northeast Texas) visited Texas Lottery<sup>®</sup> headquarters in Austin today to claim the \$40 million advertised jackpot from the May 29 *Powerball*<sup>®</sup> drawing. McDowell’s Quick Pick ticket was the only ticket sold to match all five numbers drawn (9 – 14 – 17 – 49 – 57) and the *Powerball* (2). Since McDowell chose the cash value option, the amount of his prize was \$24,906,600, before taxes. This is the first *Powerball* jackpot claimed in Texas since the Texas Lottery joined the multi-state game in 2010.

The claimant purchased his ticket at the Lone Star Food Store #48 located at 205 W. Bells Blvd. in Bells. The store is eligible for a \$400,000 retailer bonus for selling the winning ticket.

The claimant requested minimal publicity.

#### About the Texas Lottery

Beginning with the first ticket sold in 1992, the Texas Lottery has generated \$21 billion in revenue for the state and distributed \$40 billion in prizes to lottery players. Since 1997, the Texas Lottery has contributed \$15 billion to the Foundation School Fund, which supports public education in Texas. As authorized by the Texas Legislature, certain Texas Lottery revenues benefit state programs, including the Fund for Veterans’ Assistance.

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