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## START YOUR GEM COLLECTION WITH FOUR NEW TEXAS LOTTERY® SCRATCH TICKET GAMES

Non-winning tickets can be entered into the Gems 7s Promotional Second-Chance Drawings

(AUSTIN) – Starting May 3, Texas Lottery<sup>®</sup> players can mine for brilliantly dazzling prizes when they play the new Gems 7s family of scratch ticket games. The collection features four games at various price points and contains more than \$261.3 million in total cash prizes, including top cash prizes ranging from \$7,000 to \$1 million. All four games in the Gems 7s family will be available where Texas Lottery scratch ticket games are sold.

"The Texas Lottery is well on pace to shatter last year's record sales figure and we believe the new Gems 7s scratch ticket family will be a key factor in setting a new all-time mark by the end of the 2021 fiscal year," said Gary Grief, executive director of the Texas Lottery. "In addition to great cash prizes available across these four new games, Texas Lottery players will be able to enter their non-winning tickets into the <a href="Gems 7s Promotional Second-Chance Drawings">Gems 7s Promotional Second-Chance Drawings</a> for chances to win a \$100 cash prize plus an entry into a secondary drawing for a chance to win a VIP Prize or a Gems \$7 Million Challenge Prize."

<u>Diamond White 7s</u> shines at the \$20 price point with 30 chances to win a cash prize on every ticket. The game offers more than \$129.6 million in total cash prizes, including four \$1 million top prizes.

Ruby Red 7s is flawlessly uncut with more than \$75.5 million in cash prizes throughout the game, including five top prizes worth \$500,000. The \$10 game features 25 chances to win a cash prize on each ticket.

At the \$5 price point, <u>Emerald Green 7s</u> offers 20 chances to win on every ticket. This mysterious and pure game contains more than \$46.5 million in total cash prizes, including four \$200,000 top prizes.

For only \$1, <u>Sapphire Blue 7s</u> sparkles with five chances to win a cash prize, totaling more than \$9.7 million, including 15 top prizes worth \$7,000.

Gems 7s players that enter non-winning tickets into the Gems 7s Promotional Second-Chance Drawings through their <u>Luck Zone</u> accounts will receive a number of entries based on the price point of the entered ticket— e.g., a \$20 Diamond White 7s ticket earns the player 20 entries in the drawing, a \$1 Sapphire Blue 7s ticket earns the player one entry in the drawing, etc. The entry deadlines for the first four separate second-

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chance drawings are: June 4, July 2, Aug. 6 and Sept. 3. The entry deadline for the fifth drawing will be scheduled once the end-of-game dates for the games are determined by the Texas Lottery.

Each of the five drawings involve a preliminary drawing that will select 4,000 winners for a \$100 cash prize plus an entry into a secondary drawing. Each of the five secondary drawings will select 7 VIP Prize Winners and 10 Gems \$7 Million Challenge Prize Winners.

VIP Prize Winners will select one of the following trips or prizes:

- Las Vegas for two
- Seven Wonders of the U.S. for two
- New York City Sightseeing for two
- South Padre Island for eight
- Dallas for eight
- · Lake Austin for eight
- \$7,000 cash

Each Gems \$7 Million Challenge Prize Winner shall receive a three-day, two-night trip for the winner and one guest to Austin, to occur during or around the summer of 2022. Each Gems \$7 Million Challenge Prize Winner will participate as a finalist in the Gems \$7 Million Challenge event for a chance to win a cash prize, ranging from \$2,500 to \$7,000,000.

In FY 2020, the Texas Lottery set a new record with \$6.704 billion in sales, which resulted in a record total contribution of \$1.684 billion for public education and veterans' services in Texas.

## About the Texas Lottery

Beginning with the first ticket sold in 1992, the Texas Lottery has generated \$32 billion in revenue for the state and distributed \$69 billion in prizes to lottery players. Since 1997, the Texas Lottery has contributed \$26.7 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. Since the first veterans' themed scratch ticket game was launched in 2009, the Texas Lottery has contributed more than \$156 million for programs supporting Texas veterans.

The Texas Lottery provides several entertaining games for lottery players including Powerball<sup>®</sup>, Mega Millions<sup>®</sup>, Lotto Texas<sup>®</sup>, All or Nothing<sup>™</sup>, Texas Two Step<sup>®</sup>, Pick 3<sup>™</sup>, Daily 4<sup>™</sup>, Cash Five<sup>®</sup> and scratch ticket games. For more information visit us on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, YouTube or at <a href="www.txlottery.org">www.txlottery.org</a>. PLAY RESPONSIBLY.

Editors/News Directors, note: An image of the Gems 7s scratch ticket family is attached in JPEG format.