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## **\$227 MILLION MEGA MILLIONS® JACKPOT WINNING TICKET SOLD IN CEDAR PARK**

**Claimant will receive largest prize payout in Texas Lottery® history**

(AUSTIN) – A \$227 million jackpot-winning ticket for [the Mega Millions® drawing held on Tuesday, Sept. 24](#) was sold in Texas. The Quick Pick ticket matched all six of the numbers drawn (6-14-24-42-46, Mega Ball 9). The only jackpot-winning ticket for the drawing was purchased at Lakeline Express Mart, located at 2004 N. Lakeline Blvd., in Cedar Park. The retailer is eligible to receive a \$1 million retailer bonus for selling this jackpot-winning ticket.

The cash value option was selected at the time of purchase and the claimant will receive \$157,091,592, the largest prize ever paid out to a single Texas Lottery® player. The prize has not yet been claimed. The winner has 180 days from the draw date to claim the prize.

"We look forward to meeting Texas' newest millionaire and we are excited to have another Mega Millions jackpot winner here in Texas," said Gary Grief, executive director of the Texas Lottery. "If you have the winning ticket, we encourage you to sign the ticket, put it in a safe place, seek financial and legal advice, and call the Texas Lottery before coming to Austin to claim the prize."

This is the 13<sup>th</sup> Mega Millions jackpot winner in Texas and first since October 2016 when It Will Buy Me a Boat Revocable Trust Dated November 17, 2016, Garon R. Horton, Trustee, of Rockwall, claimed a \$49 million advertised prize. Texas joined the multijurisdictional game in 2003 and had its first Mega Millions jackpot winner in 2004 when Ut Van Nguyen of Carrollton claimed the \$101 million advertised jackpot from the Oct. 1, 2004 drawing.

While Tuesday's \$227 million jackpot is the third-largest multijurisdictional jackpot hit in Texas, it will be the largest prize ever to be paid out to a Texas Lottery player. On Feb. 15, 2015, TL Management Trust of Austin and two out-of-state winners won a share of the \$500 million advertised Powerball® jackpot prize and for the Mega Millions drawing on Aug. 31, 2007, SB Alchemy Holdings, Ltd., of Dallas, Texas shared the \$330 million advertised jackpot prize with three out-of-state winners.

In addition to the jackpot-winning prize, 53,805 Mega Millions tickets in Texas, including those with the Megaplier® add-on feature, won lower-tier prizes ranging from \$40,000 to \$2.

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The winning Mega Millions jackpot started as a \$40 million prize on July 26 and rolled 17 times before being hit. The jackpot for the next Mega Millions drawing on Friday, Sept. 27 will reset to \$40 million.

Mega Millions is played by choosing five numbers from a field of 70 and one Mega Ball number from the second field of 25 numbers. To win the Mega Millions jackpot, players must match all six numbers drawn including the Mega Ball. Players matching fewer numbers may not win the jackpot, but still walk away winners. Mega Millions offers a \$40 Million starting jackpot and a second-tier (Match 5+0) prize of \$1 million. By choosing the Megaplier for \$1 more per play, players can multiply their non-jackpot winnings by two, three, four or five times, winning as much as \$5 million. Drawings are broadcast each Tuesday and Friday at 10:12 p.m. CT.

About the Texas Lottery

Beginning with the first ticket sold in 1992, the Texas Lottery has generated \$29 billion in revenue for the state and distributed \$61 billion in prizes to lottery players. Since 1997, the Texas Lottery has contributed \$24 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 \$120 million for programs supporting Texas veterans.

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**Editors/News Directors, note:** An image of the Mega Millions® logo is attached in JPEG format.

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