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TEXAS LOTTERY® PLAYER FROM PLANO CLAIMS FINAL TOP PRIZE IN *MERRY MILLIONAIRE* GAME

(**Austin**) – Plano resident Jeremy McNamara claimed the third and final \$1 million top prize in the *Merry Millionaire* scratch-off game from the Texas Lottery[®]. This is also the second top prize from this game to be awarded in the Dallas-Fort Worth area. The first \$1 million prize went to Patrick Holcomb, a school teacher from Arlington.

"We introduced the *Merry Millionaire* game in October so that it would be available to our players during the holiday season," said Texas Lottery Commission Deputy Executive Director Gary Grief. "No doubt the three \$1 million prizes awarded since then have helped make this a cheerful winter for the winners."

The Speedmax #4 located at 301 Legacy Drive in Plano is eligible for a \$10,000 retailer bonus for selling the winning ticket.

This claimant requested minimal publicity.

Tomorrow's *Mega Millions*[®] jackpot is an estimated \$16 million. Wednesday's *Lotto Texas*[®] jackpot is an estimated \$26 million.

For more information about the Texas Lottery, please visit the official Web site at http://www.txlottery.org.

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