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Lucky Littlefield Player Claims *Weekly Grand* Top Prize

(Austin, May 2) - On Friday, Joey Cooper of Littlefield claimed the top prize – \$1,000 a week for 20 years – in the Texas Lottery® *Weekly Grand* scratch-off game. The total amount of the prize before taxes is \$1,040,000.

"This is a very exciting day and a little bit overwhelming," said Cooper. "Luckily though, I've got the next 20 years to get used to it."

"Congratulations to Mr. Cooper for his *Weekly Grand* win; I can certainly understand his excitement" said Texas Lottery Commission Executive Director Reagan E. Greer. "*Weekly Grand* has been one of our most popular scratch-off games since it debuted in 10 years ago and, after 69 winners, it shows no sign of slowing down any time soon."

The winning ticket was purchased at the Diamond Shamrock #1453, located at 5113 82nd St. in Lubbock. The retail owner is eligible to receive a bonus of \$10,000 for selling the winning ticket.

The winner requested minimal publicity.

Tuesday's *Mega Millions*™ jackpot is an estimated \$18 million. Wednesday's *Lotto Texas*® jackpot is worth an estimated \$52 million.

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