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23RD PRIZE OF \$1 MILLION AWARDED IN \$500,000,000 BLOCKBUSTER GAME

(AUSTIN) – Ricky Herring of Nacogdoches claimed the 23rd second-tier prize worth \$1 million in the Texas Lottery[®] game *\$500,000,000 Blockbuster*. There are now 17 prizes of \$1 million each and six top prizes of \$2.5 million remaining unclaimed in the popular scratch-off game. With more than half a billion dollars in total prizes, overall odds of winning any *\$500,000,000 Blockbuster* prize are one in 2.77, including break-even prizes.

The Western Hills Mini Mart, 4684 FM 343 in Nacogdoches, will also benefit from Herring's win. The store is eligible for a \$10,000 retailer bonus for selling the winning ticket.

Herring requested minimal publicity.

Tomorrow's *Mega Millions*[®] jackpot is an estimated \$41 million. Wednesday's *Powerball*[®] jackpot is an estimated \$60 million, and the *Lotto Texas*[®] jackpot is an estimated \$9 million.

For more information about the Texas Lottery, please visit the official website at **www.txlottery.org**.

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