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MEGA MILLIONS® JACKPOT TICKET WORTH \$144 MILLION SOLD IN KATY

Could a Powerball® win be next for some lucky Texan?

(Austin) – Friday’s *Mega Millions*® jackpot-winning ticket worth an estimated \$144 million was sold at the Short Stop Market, 5304 E. 5th St., in Katy. For selling the winning ticket, the store is eligible to receive a retailer bonus of \$1 million.

With *Powerball*® tickets going on sale Sunday, January 31, Texans now have the opportunity to play both multi-state jackpot games. *Powerball* tickets can be purchased at any of the 16,000-plus licensed retailer outlets across the state. Could another lucky Texas Lottery® player win in the *Powerball* drawing to be held Wednesday, February 3?

“We look forward to meeting the person holding the winning *Mega Millions* ticket,” said Texas Lottery Commission Deputy Executive Director Gary Grief. “It would be exciting to have a Texas Lottery retailer sell the winning *Powerball* ticket on Wednesday night, as well.”

In celebration of the first *Powerball* drawing for Texas players, four Customer Appreciation Day events are being held around the state on Wednesday. Those locations are:

- Zip ‘N, 7845 Shoal Creek Blvd., Austin;
- Hickory Tree Mart, 11900 Elam Road, Balch Springs, near Dallas;
- Cullen Exxon Mobil, 9421 Cullen Blvd., Houston; and
- HEB Food Store #466, 108 N. Rosillo, San Antonio.

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(Texas Lottery Commission, News Release, continued)

All four events will be held 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Information regarding these and additional events being held around the state on February 10 and 17 can be obtained by visiting www.txlottery.org.

Wednesday's *Powerball* jackpot is an estimated \$107 million, with an estimated cash value of \$52.5 million. Tuesday's *Mega Millions* jackpot is an estimated \$12 million, with an estimated cash value of \$7.4 million.

For more information on *Mega Millions*, *Powerball* or the Texas Lottery, please visit www.megamillions.com, www.powerball.com, or www.txlottery.org.

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