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SAN ANTONIO RESIDENT CLAIMS \$1 MILLION PRIZE IN \$500,000,000 BLOCKBUSTER GAME



(Austin) – Sami S Kassem of San Antonio claimed the 17th prize of \$1 million in the Texas Lottery® scratch-off game *\$500,000,000 Blockbuster*. He purchased his winning ticket at the H-E-B Food Store #480 located at 9900 Wurzbach Road in San Antonio.

The *\$500,000,000 Blockbuster* broke the record for most prizes ever offered in a Texas Lottery scratch-off game, more than half a billion dollars in total. Another 23 prizes worth \$1 million each and six top prizes of \$2.5 million remain unclaimed. Overall odds of winning any prize are one in 2.77, including break-even prizes.

Kassem isn't the only one who will benefit from this win. The store is also eligible for a \$10,000 retailer bonus for selling the winning ticket.

This claimant requested minimal publicity.

Tonight's *Mega Millions*® jackpot is an estimated \$40 million. Saturday's drawings include an estimated *Powerball*® jackpot of \$60 million and an estimated *Lotto Texas*® jackpot of \$66 million.

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

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Editor's Note: The ticket art is available in jpg format by contacting Robyn Smith at 512-344-5477 or Robyn.Smith@lottery.state.tx.us. There is no period after the winner's middle initial.