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One *Mega Millions*™ Jackpot-Winning Ticket Sold In Carrollton, Worth An Estimated \$101 Million

(Austin, October 2) - One ticket purchased in Texas won the jackpot in Friday night's *Mega Millions*™ drawing, taking a prize worth an estimated \$101 million. The Sack N Save #204, 1235 S. Josey Lane., Suite 600, in Carrollton, sold the ticket.

"We've been eagerly waiting for this day," Texas Lottery Commission Executive Director Reagan E. Greer said. "Texas joined the *Mega Millions* multi-state lottery last December, and since that time, we've had numerous lower-tier winners, but we've never reeled in the big one until last night. I hope the person or persons holding this winning ticket know what they've got. I encourage them to put the ticket in a safe place, seek legal or financial advice and think about how they're going to claim this prize so they can get the biggest bang for their bucks over the long haul."

In addition to the jackpot, there were five 2nd-tier prizes of \$175,000 that were won by tickets purchased in Edinburg, Red Oak, Balch Springs, Odessa and Saint Hedwig. A total of 81,697 winners took home prizes ranging from the jackpot down to \$2. The winning numbers were 8-10-17-24-39, MB 52.

Last night's *Megaplier*™ was four, so that multiplies one of the 2nd-tier prizes to \$700,000. The Megaplier feature is exclusive to Texas.

The odds of winning the *Mega Millions* jackpot are one in 135,145,920. The odds of winning the second-tier prize are one in 2,649, 920.

Tonight's *Lotto Texas*™ jackpot is worth an estimated \$11 million. Monday's *Texas Two Step*™ is worth an estimated \$325,000. Tuesday's *Mega Millions*™ jackpot begins rolling again at \$10 million.

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