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Lottery Contract Amended to Include Prohibition on Political Contributions

(Austin, October 18) - - Texas Lottery Commission Executive Director Linda Cloud announced today that the new contract between the Commission and its lottery operator, GTECH Corporation, has been amended to include a prohibition on political contributions.

The amendment added today states "... GTECH, its officers, directors, agents, and lobbyists, will not knowingly make a gift, loan or political contribution, either directly or indirectly, to any Texas State officer or a member of the Texas State Legislature, during the term of this Contract."

The language was added through mutual agreement between the Commission and GTECH Corporation.

This amendment, which mirrors existing language under the current contract, becomes effective today. Under terms of the new contract, the Texas Lottery will receive enhanced services, faster ticket machines and the lowest rate for goods and services the Texas Lottery Commission has ever paid in its 10 years of operations.

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The Texas Lottery, the 4th largest selling lottery in North America, is "Focusing on the Future of Education, One Ticket At A Time." By providing the 'Games of Texas' for more than 10 years, the Texas Lottery Commission (TLC) has generated more than \$10 billion for the state and paid nearly \$17 billion to players in prizes. For more information about the TLC, please visit the official website at <http://www.txlottery.org>

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