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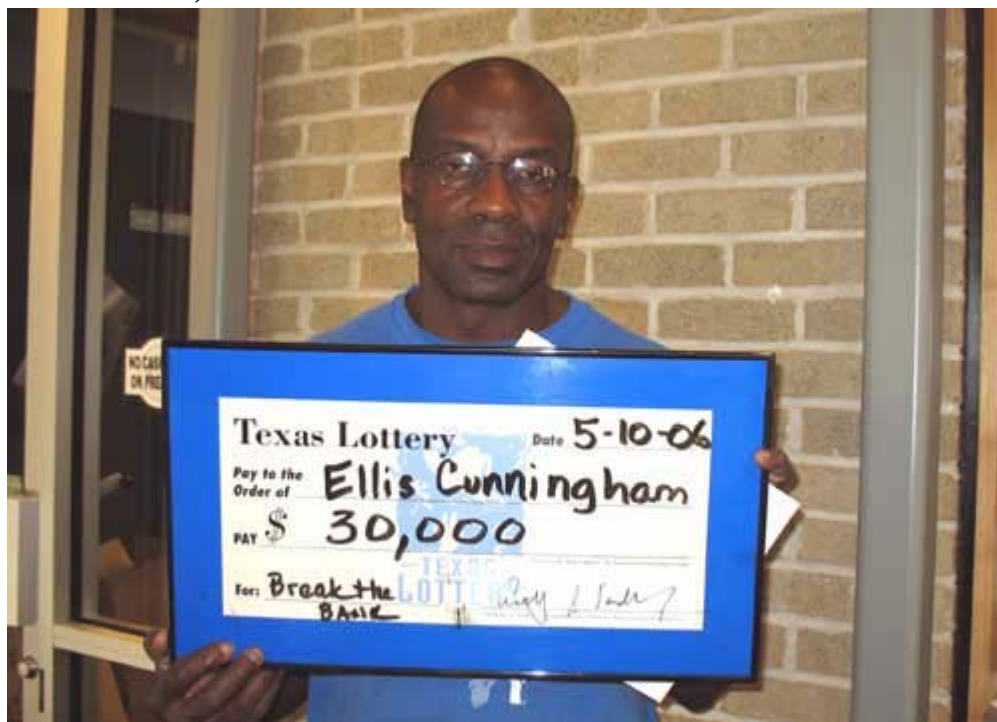
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WACO WINNER WASTES NO TIME CLAIMING \$30,000 *BREAK THE BANK* TOP PRIZE



(AUSTIN) – Yesterday morning, Ellis R. Cunningham of Waco purchased a Texas Lottery® *Break the Bank* (game #605) scratch-off ticket in Bellmead and by noon, he had already arrived at Texas Lottery headquarters in Austin to claim one of the game's 24 top prizes – \$30,000!

"I didn't believe it at first, so I had to get my wife to take a look at the ticket just to make sure," said Cunningham. "I've got the check now and I still can't believe it!"

Cunningham said the \$2 *Break the Bank* game is about the only one he plays, though the most he'd ever won before was \$200. He plans to donate some of his winnings to his church, but he hasn't decided what to do with the rest yet.

"I'm sure my wife will have plenty of say in that," laughed Cunningham.

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“We always enjoy meeting our winners, so we were happy to see Mr. Cunningham come in yesterday to collect his *Break the Bank* top prize,” said Anthony J. Sadberry, acting executive director for the Texas Lottery. “But we want all of our players to remember that there’s no need to ‘break the bank’ playing the games of the Texas Lottery, because it only takes one ticket to win!”

In addition to the \$30,000 top prize, other *Break the Bank* cash prizes include: \$3,000, \$1,000, \$200, \$50, \$20, \$12, \$10, \$8, \$6, \$4, and \$2.

Cunningham purchased his ticket at the Food Mart located at 3612 Bellmead Ave. in Bellmead.

Friday’s *Mega Millions*[®] jackpot is an estimated \$80 million. Saturday’s *Lotto Texas*[®] jackpot will be worth an estimated \$7 million.

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