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Round Rock Retailer Receives \$400,000 Bonus - Thought It Only Happened To Other People

(Round Rock, January 18) - - Saying he never expected it could happen to him, Fazil Malik, owner of the Sam Bass Road Shell store in Round Rock today received a ceremonial retailer check in the amount of \$400,000.

His store, located at 806 Sam Bass Road in Round Rock, sold the winning \$40 million jackpot winning ticket for the *Lotto Texas* drawing on October 3, 2001. The money is the retailer's one-percent bonus for selling the top-prize winner.

Texas Lottery Commission Executive Director Linda Cloud made the presentation to Malik during the morning ceremony at the store.



Texas Lottery Director Linda Cloud presents \$400,000 check to Fazil Malik, owner of the Sam Bass Road Shell in Round Rock.

"I'm very pleased to present this bonus check of \$400,000 to Mr. Malik," Cloud said. "This is how we tell our retailers how much we appreciate them and all the hard work they do to keep the 'Games of Texas' fun and exciting for our players. Congratulations to you and all your employees for a job well done."

Claimants have 180 days from the day of the drawing to redeem a winning ticket. The winner of the \$40 million jackpot, the Hermosillo Family Trust, claimed the Cash Value Option prize of \$23.2 million on October 26, 2001.

With today's lottery bonus, Malik said he plans to open another location in Austin, in the Highway 183 and Cameron Road area.

"We had been planning to do this for some time," Malik said. "Now that we have the capital in hand, we can move ahead

quickly with the project. You always hear of these bonuses, but you never think it can happen to you. And now, here it is, and I'm still as surprised as I was when I first heard that it could have happened to me."

The Lottery pays a bonus to any Lotto retailer who sells a 6-of-6 jackpot winning ticket, in accordance with Lottery procedures. The retailer bonus equals one percent of the jackpot won by the customer, not to exceed \$500,000 per drawing.

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