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TYLER PLAYER WINS FINAL \$1 MILLION TOP PRIZE IN *MAXIMUM MILLIONS* SCRATCH-OFF GAME

(AUSTIN) – Ricky Henderson of Tyler claimed the last of four \$1 million top prizes in the *Maximum Millions* scratch-off game at the Texas Lottery® claim center in Tyler on Monday.

“I don’t think it really hit me when I first scratched off the ticket,” said Henderson. “It finally sank in when they gave me the check and now I’m really excited!”

Henderson, a single father, is a longtime Texas Lottery player and said he plans to use some of his winnings to buy homes for himself and his mother, and to invest a large portion for his daughter’s future.

The winning ticket was purchased at the D & N Grocery store located at 1007 W. Bow St. in Tyler. The retailer is eligible to receive a \$10,000 bonus.

Tonight’s *Mega Millions*® jackpot is an estimated \$21 million. Wednesday’s *Powerball*® jackpot is an estimated \$212 million and the *Lotto Texas*® jackpot is an estimated \$6 million.

Beginning with the first ticket sold in 1992, the Texas Lottery has generated more than \$20 billion in revenue for the state and distributed \$38 billion in prizes to lottery players. Since 1997, the Texas Lottery has contributed more than \$14 billion to the Foundation School Fund, which supports public education in Texas. As authorized by the Texas Legislature, certain Texas Lottery revenues benefit state programs including the Fund for Veterans’ Assistance.

Celebrating its 20th anniversary this year, the Texas Lottery provides several entertaining games for lottery players including *Powerball*, *Mega Millions*, *Lotto Texas*, *Texas Two Step*®, *Pick 3*™, *Daily 4*™, *Cash Five*® and scratch-offs. For more information about the Texas Lottery, please visit www.txlottery.org.

