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SUGAR LAND RETAILER RECEIVES \$1 MILLION BONUS FOR SELLING JACKPOT-WINNING MEGA MILLIONS® TICKET

SUGAR LAND, TX – A lottery retailer in Sugar Land was presented with a \$1 million ceremonial check on Tuesday, Oct. 22 for <u>selling a Mega Millions® jackpot-winning ticket</u> worth an estimated annuitized \$800 million for the <u>Sept. 10 drawing</u>. The Murphy USA 8848, located at 7520 Highway 90A, received payment under the Texas Lottery's <u>retailer bonus program</u>. Representatives from the Texas Lottery and Murphy USA were in attendance to mark the celebration.

"While most attention understandably focuses on our big winners, the Texas Lottery acknowledges the vital role retailers play in the continued success of our games and our mission to generate revenue for Texas public education and veterans' services," said Ryan Mindell, executive director of the Texas Lottery. "Congratulations to the team at Murphy USA in Sugar Land for selling a jackpot-winning Mega Millions ticket!"

On Oct. 3, the Texas Lottery announced the Sept. 10 Mega Millions jackpot prize had been claimed by The Sol Living Trust, of Sugar Land. The cash value option was selected at the time of purchase and the claimant received \$409,297,624 before taxes – the largest prize ever paid to a single Texas Lottery® player. The jackpot-winning Quick Pick ticket matched all of the numbers drawn (1-2-16-24-66, Mega Ball 6).

Murphy USA stores across Texas sell and redeem Texas Lottery[®] tickets, including popular games such as Mega Millions, Powerball[®], Lotto Texas[®], All or Nothing[™], Texas Two Step[®], Pick 3[™], Daily 4[™], Cash Five[®] and scratch ticket games.

Mega Millions is played by choosing five numbers from a field of 70 and one Mega Ball number from the second field of 25 numbers. To win the Mega Millions jackpot, players must match all six numbers drawn including the Mega Ball. Players matching fewer numbers may not win the jackpot, but still walk away winners. Mega Millions currently offers a \$20 million starting jackpot and a second-tier (Match 5+0) prize of \$1 million. By choosing the Megaplier® feature for \$1 more per Play, players can multiply their non-jackpot winnings by two, three, four or five times, winning as much as \$5 million. Drawings are broadcast each Tuesday and Friday at 10:12 p.m. CT. Retailers that sell a jackpot-winning Mega Millions or Powerball ticket may be eligible to receive up to a \$1 million retailer bonus through the Texas Lottery's retailer bonus program.

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About the Texas Lottery

Beginning with the first ticket sold in 1992, the Texas Lottery has generated more than \$39 billion in revenue for the state and distributed more than \$89 billion in prizes to lottery players. Since 1997, the Texas Lottery has contributed \$33.9 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. Since the first veterans' themed scratch ticket game was launched in 2009, the Texas Lottery has contributed more than \$250 million for programs supporting Texas veterans.

The Texas Lottery provides several entertaining games for lottery players including Powerball[®], Mega Millions[®], Lotto Texas[®], All or Nothing[™], Texas Two Step[®], Pick 3[™], Daily 4[™], Cash Five[®] and scratch ticket games. For more information visit us on Facebook, X, Instagram, LinkedIn, YouTube or at <u>texaslottery.com</u>. Must be 18 or older to purchase a ticket or enter a promotional second-chance drawing. PLAY RESPONSIBLY.

<u>Editors/News Directors, note:</u> Photos and b-roll from the check presentation can be downloaded <u>here</u>. A high-res image of the Mega Millions logo can be downloaded <u>here</u> and an image of the Mega Millions prize chart can be downloaded <u>here</u>. (Right-click on the image for saving options.)

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