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Mega Millions to Adjust Starting Jackpot Amount, Eliminate Minimum Jackpot Increases

Changes will take place following the Friday, April 3, drawing

MADISON, Wis. – The Mega Millions Consortium has adjusted the game's starting jackpot and will determine the amounts of subsequent starting jackpots and jackpot increases on a drawing-by-drawing basis. The changes are in direct response to slowing sales during the current global pandemic.

The advertised Mega Millions jackpot for Friday, April 3, is a guaranteed \$121 million. If the jackpot is won that evening, it will reset to a guaranteed \$20 million for the next drawing on April 7. If there is no jackpot winner on April 3, the jackpot will roll to an annuitized value of \$127 million. Immediately following the drawing on April 3, the next new starting jackpot and the rate at which the jackpot increases will be established based on game sales and interest rates, with no fixed minimum amount. Subsequent jackpot amounts will be determined and announced prior to each drawing. Previously, the jackpot started at \$40 million, and the minimum increase was \$5 million for each roll.

Mega Millions tickets are \$2 and are sold in 45 states, Washington, D.C., and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Drawings are held each Tuesday and Friday at 10 p.m. Tickets must be purchased before 9 p.m. on Tuesday and Friday to be included in that day's drawing. Half of the proceeds from the sale of each Mega Millions ticket remains in the state where the ticket was sold, where the money supports lottery beneficiaries and retailer commissions. Lottery revenues are allocated differently in each jurisdiction.

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ABOUT THE WISCONSIN LOTTERY

The Wisconsin Lottery enriches communities statewide by giving back 93 percent of its revenue to winners, retailers, and Wisconsin homeowners. Of each dollar spent on the Wisconsin Lottery, 57 cents goes back to prizes, 30 cents to property tax credits, seven cents to operations, and six cents to retailers.

Since 1988, the Wisconsin Lottery has generated:

- More than \$15.3 Billion in total revenue
- Over \$8.7 Billion in prizes paid
- More than \$4.6 Billion in funding for property tax credits to eligible Wisconsin homeowners

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