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The Honorable Lt. Governor Patrick:

RE: Your voters; TX Lottery Fun 5's scratch ticket;
\$508 Million Mass Action Lawsuit

I think it is very important for you to know that the Fun 5's scratch ticket also sold in 3 other states with the same language as the TX ticket contained.

Texas refused to pay players on their tickets that had a "money bag" in game 5 stating the tickets were "non-winners." Yet in three other states, these SAME tickets WERE considered winning tickets and players WERE paid their prizes.

The language on four states Fun 5's tickets (including TX) were identical with one exception - TX used the word "reveal" while the other states used the word "get." Also, TX chose to use a "money bag" as the special symbol - "reveal a money bag" - while the other states chose to use a "5" as the special symbol - "get a five (5)."

I've requested consumer protection for years to no avail. Maybe someone could tell me who the People of Texas could go to when the Texas Lottery has wronged them or a person feels the Texas Lottery has wronged them. The Texas Lottery collects \$3 billion per year from **your** voters.

I spoke to your staff last year but your staff said they asked the TX Lottery to respond to your constituents for you. Then the TLC politely told your constituents their tickets were non winners and basically implied your constituents couldn't read. Never mind the same tickets were winners in 3 other states and paid the prizes as shown ...

What I want to know is who CAN assist Texas Lottery players? Am I asking too much from you in asking for an answer to this question?

I'd like to report via my website that someone in Austin can help. No consumer protection for the People may be the very reason the TX Lottery continued to sell this ticket for 9 weeks despite all the complaints and why they reneged on paying prizes legitimately won by Monopoly players. I think it's a disgrace that the TLC can get away with this.

On behalf of the People of Texas, thank you in advance for your response to my question.

Sincerely,

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