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Pennsylvania Lottery Announces Powerball® and Mega Millions® Tickets Now Available for Purchase Online

EDITOR'S NOTE: Photos and video of Powerball® and Mega Millions® online will be available at <u>pacast.com</u>.

Middletown, PA – Pennsylvania Lottery officials today announced that players will now be able to purchase Powerball® and Mega Millions® tickets online through the iLottery platform at <u>pailottery.com</u>.

"We are excited to announce that we are now selling Powerball and Mega Millions tickets online," said Pennsylvania Lottery Executive Director Drew Svitko. "Selling lottery online is a big part of our effort to appeal to new customers and meet our players where they already are which is online. This is an important step that will help us continue generating funds to benefit older Pennsylvanians."

Players who purchase Powerball® and Mega Millions® tickets online can enjoy many of the same features available to players who visit a Lottery retailer. They can choose their own numbers or select the "quick pick" option to receive randomly selected numbers. Players also have the option to purchase multiple tickets and to buy tickets up to 26 drawings (13 weeks) in advance.

To play Powerball® or Mega Millions® online, players must sign up for an iLottery account and deposit funds in order to make a purchase. New account holders are required to securely submit proof of identity and age. Players must be 18 or older. After purchasing tickets, players will be able to view their transaction history, which will include past and current drawings and plays.

"By law, online lottery players must be physically located in the state of Pennsylvania to play for money and win prizes," Svitko noted. "As with all Lottery games, we urge players to play responsibly and always within their means."

To promote responsible play, iLottery features a number of player-controlled settings, including time limits, deposit limits and spend limits. Players can configure one or more of these limits to

suit their personal play style and budget. The site also allows players to take a "cool-off" break of up to 30 days, or self-exclude entirely for one year or five years.

To play or purchase PA Lottery games on a computer, mobile device or tablet, install the PA Lottery's <u>Official App</u>. Apple users can download the app from the Apple App Store. For Android users, visit <u>palottery.com/android</u> or text APP to 54187 to receive a special Android download link. The Google Play store has the PA Lottery Official LITE App, but this version currently does not include the ability to purchase Powerball® and Mega Millions® tickets. Tickets that are issued online cannot be cancelled.

The Pennsylvania Lottery launched online via its iLottery platform in May 2018 with internet instant games. Players can play a variety of games online, including Monster Wins™, Prospector's Gold, Snow Me the Money and Pennsylvania Payout.

For more information about how to play PA Lottery online or how iLottery prizes are paid, visit <u>paiLottery.com</u>.

About Us: The Pennsylvania Lottery remains the only state lottery to direct all proceeds to <u>programs</u> that benefit older residents. Since ticket sales began in 1972, it has contributed more than \$30 billion to fund property tax and rent rebates, transportation, care services, prescription assistance, and local services including senior centers and meals.

Visit the <u>Winners</u> and <u>Benefits</u> pages at palottery.com to review how much money each county receives in Lottery prizes and funding to benefit older Pennsylvanians.

Players must be 18 or older. <u>Please play responsibly</u>. Call 1-800-GAMBLER (1-800-426-2537) for help with a compulsive gambling problem.

Visit <u>palottery.com</u> for winning numbers, rules, chances of winning, and to join the VIP Players Club to <u>play online</u> or enter for second chances to win. Install our <u>Official App</u>, like us on <u>Facebook</u> and follow us on <u>Instagram</u> and <u>Twitter</u> @PALottery. Use the hashtag #palottery to share your messages with us.

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