December 1, 2025

The Honorable Glenn Youngkin Governor Commonwealth of Virginia Patrick Henry Building, 3rd floor 1111 E. Broad Street Richmond, VA 23219

Re: October 2025 Lottery Results

Dear Governor Youngkin:

I am very pleased to provide our report of monthly activities and financial update for the month of October 2025, as required in §58.1-4006 of the *Code of Virginia*.

October Monthly Update:

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	N	Ionthly Actuals	% of	N	Monthly Actuals	Current Month		nth
		Oct FY26	Total		Oct FY25	FY26 vs FY25		
<u>Sales</u>							\$ Change	% Change
Scratchers	\$	96,938,714	18.3%	\$	103,995,853	\$	(7,057,139)	-6.8%
Draw Games	\$	104,841,953	19.8%	\$	92,174,025	\$	12,667,928	13.7%
iLottery Instants	\$	328,336,858	61.9%	\$	247,425,064	\$	80,911,794	32.7%
Total	\$	530,117,525	100.0%	\$	443,594,942	\$	86,522,583	19.5%
Prize Expense							FY26 Rates	FY25 Rates
Scratchers	\$	70,498,719	16.8%	\$	75,002,847		72.7%	72.1%
Draw Games	\$	55,456,028	13.2%	\$	45,006,031		52.9%	48.8%
iLottery Instants	\$	292,920,632	<u>69.9%</u>	\$	222,618,164		<u>89.2%</u>	90.0%
Total	\$	418,875,379	100.0%	\$	342,627,042		79.0%	77.2%
Retailer Earnings	\$	11,187,848		\$	11,844,498		6.0%	6.4%
Admin Expenses	\$	20,650,055		\$	17,769,521		3.9%	4.0%
Other Income	\$	1,162,962		\$	1,197,919			
							\$ Change	% Change
<u>Profits</u>	<u>\$</u>	80,567,205		<u>\$</u>	72,551,800	<u>\$</u>	8,015,405	11.0%

Fiscal Year to Date Update:

	YTD FY26	% of	YTD FY25	Year to Date		
	Oct	Total	Oct	FY26 vs FY25		
Sales					\$ Change	% Change
Scratchers	\$ 403,324,409	19.0%	\$ 429,343,520	\$	(26,019,111)	-6.1%
Draw Games	\$ 438,474,592	20.7%	\$ 377,954,906	\$	60,519,686	16.0%
iLottery Instants	\$ 1,276,977,865	<u>60.3%</u>	\$ 988,653,956	\$	288,323,909	<u>29.2</u> %
Total	\$ 2,118,776,866	100.0%	\$ 1,795,952,382	\$	322,824,484	18.0%
Prize Expense					FY26 Rates	FY25 Rates
Scratchers	\$ 296,137,246	17.6%	\$ 313,468,989		73.4%	73.0%
Draw Games	\$ 248,692,097	14.7%	\$ 190,369,403		56.7%	50.4%
iLottery Instants	\$ 1,142,423,528	<u>67.7%</u>	\$ 885,048,669		<u>89.5%</u>	<u>89.5%</u>
Total	\$ 1,687,252,871	100.0%	\$ 1,388,887,061		79.6%	77.3%
Retailer Earnings	\$ 44,771,269		\$ 44,179,397		5.8%	5.8%
Admin Expenses	\$ 84,965,246		\$ 71,292,212		4.0%	4.0%
Other Income	\$ 3,389,060		\$ 3,553,986			
					\$ Change	% Change
<u>Profits</u>	\$ 305,176,540		\$ 295,147,698	\$	10,028,842	3.4%

Sales Highlights

October sales overall were up 19.5% compared to last year, supported by the Mega Millions game jackpot that grew to more than \$750M by the end of the month (ultimately climbing to \$980M by mid-November). October also recorded a record Cash 5 jackpot during the month, and iLottery digital game sales were up 33%, a significant increase compared to last year. Retail sales were up slightly (+0.5%) compared to October 2024 while overall year-to-date total sales are up 18%.

We continue to see a downward trend in Scratcher sales due to competition pressures in the retail environment as it was down nearly 7% year-over-year in October, mirroring the sales decline curve from the first quarter.

Profit Highlights

Despite some of the retail challenges, October profits totaled over \$80.5 million, up 11% compared to last year. For the year to date, profits of \$305.2 million are \$10.0 million more than FY25, with profits strongly bolstered by the national game jackpot games and iLottery growth. Retailers continued to earn nearly 6% of sales from commissions and incentives, including cashing bonuses for the high volume of prizes won and redeemed at licensed retailer locations throughout the Commonwealth. The Lottery's operating expense rate remains at near historical lows of 4%.

Other Highlights

Our annual Virginia's New Year's Millionaire Raffle game is on sale, offering players the best odds of winning one of five \$1 million prizes, along with several \$100,000 and \$500

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prizes. We hope Virginians enjoy the Raffle along with our other traditional holiday ticket offerings, but we also take this opportunity through our **Gift Responsibly** campaign to remind everyone that while lottery tickets make great gifts, they are only for those 18 and older.

Finally, Virginia Lottery employees are fully in the holiday spirit, giving back to our communities in many ways. Through our Lottery Outreach program, employees are volunteering everywhere from the Salvation Army and Christmas Mother to area food banks and toy drives. We have also been supporting the annual Commonwealth of Virginia Campaign through a variety of activities including a cornhole tournament, a chili cook-off and bake sale, and a silent auction.

I am reminded, particularly at this time of year, that the Lottery is filled with people who embrace not only our mission of supporting our K-12 public schools and other critical initiatives in Virginia, but who have a passion to make our Commonwealth the "Best in Class." Please let me know if you have any questions, or if you would like more information.

Respectfully,

Khalid R. Jones

c: The Honorable L. Louise Lucas, Chairwoman, Senate Finance & Appropriations Committee

The Honorable Luke E. Torian, Chairman, House Appropriations Committee The Honorable Vivian E. Watts, Chairwoman, House Finance Committee

The Honorable John Littel, Chief of Staff, Office of the Governor

The Honorable Stephen E. Cummings, Secretary of Finance

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