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STATEMENT OF STATE TREASURER SHAWN WOODEN ON THE CONNECTICUT LOTTERY’S DECISION TO SETTLE

Hartford, CT -- Please see the following statement of Treasurer Shawn T. Wooden, an ex officio member of the Connecticut Lottery Corporation board of directors, following the board’s vote, 8 to 2, to settle, regarding the case of Mr. DuPuis.

“I’m pleased with the Connecticut Lottery Corporation board’s decision to settle this legal matter, and that board members were given the opportunity to vote for the official record. Approving this settlement is the best way to protect taxpayers from unnecessary additional financial risk as pursuing litigation would have ended up costing hundreds of thousands of dollars in additional costs. The Lottery has a long history of missteps and it’s time to set a new course. I look forward to working with the new board chair, Rob Simmelkjaer, to restore the public's trust in the Lottery and its operations.”

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