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### Prince George Hospice Society 50/50 Draw Disclosure

Prince George – The Prince George Hospice Society relies on donations and support from the community to ensure that it can continue to provide the best in palliative care for its guests, and grief support for those in need. Over the past five years we have received 23 lottery licenses for draws including for the Dream Home and the 50/50, and we're proud of the strong community support we have received for these initiatives.

To uphold our values of transparency and accountability, the Prince George Hospice Society is disclosing that 3 per cent (300 of the 10,098 tickets) of the tickets sold for the 50/50 draw were not included in the draw due to an internal error. The Prince George Hospice Society apologizes for the error, and recognizes the importance of correcting the process to prevent this error from occurring in the future.

The Society has taken immediate action by notifying the BC Gaming Policy and Enforcement Branch, sending refunds to the people affected, and launching an investigation into the error. While the investigation is on-going and we cannot speculate about the potential outcome, we are committed to taking appropriate action based on the results of the investigation.

The people affected will be provided with a refund and will receive a cheque in the mail. As we will be contacting the people affected by the error, no action is required from people that purchased 50/50 tickets.

The 50/50 tickets NOT in the barrel are tickets

5551-5600  
5701-5750  
7001-7050  
7201-7250  
8101-8150  
8251-8300

The error did not affect the Dream Home lottery draw or early bird draws. The tickets for the Dream Home lottery were purchased separately, and after noticing this issue we launched an audit of the Dream Home lottery tickets to ensure all of the tickets would be included in the draw.

If members of the public have further questions or comments, please call 250-563-2551 or email [info@hospiceprincegeorge.ca](mailto:info@hospiceprincegeorge.ca).

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