

From: Chief Jim Hurley

RE: Scam Alert

The Leicester Police Department has been contacted by at least one resident who has received the attached letter and check. The letter and the check are part of what is commonly referred to by law enforcement as an “advanced fee fraud scam”. Should you receive one of these letters and checks please destroy them. **Do Not Respond!!** The Leicester Police Department will be passing the letter and check onto the appropriate federal authorities for further investigation. If you have received one of these letters and have responded to it you should contact the Leicester Police Department at (508) 892-7010 immediately.

Chief Jim Hurley

April 24, 2009

Claim #: PR-3454

Leicester, MA 01524

**OBJECT: 3<sup>RD</sup> GRAND PRIZE WINNER NOTIFICATION**

Dear \_\_\_\_\_,

Your status has been verified and confirmed you are the **3<sup>RD</sup> GRAND PRIZE WINNER** for the Readers Digest Sweepstake; your total winnings are **\$150,000.00**. You have therefore been approved for the payment of **\$150,000.00 USD** (One Hundred Fifty Thousand dollars).

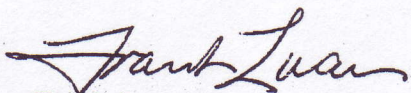
**CONGRATULATIONS!**

We advise you to keep your reference number confidential until your claim has been properly processed and your winnings paid to you, as this is part of our security protocol to avoid any double claims or theft identity. All prize monies must be claimed no later than **May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2009**. After this date, any unclaimed monies will be deemed null and void. To avert any unnecessary delays, remember to quote your reference number with any correspondence with our office. Note that part of our job is to locate and inform you of your winnings and educate you on how to claim your winnings.

**Your clearance/processing fee is calculated based on the winnings and is required by the federal and international law.** The fees will be entirely covered by Reader's Digest Corporate Claims Services. You will find your check enclosed for the amount of \$3,040.75, (which covers insurance, handling, duty and taxes fees). According to federal and international laws it is strictly forbidden to use these monies for any other reason other than paying for your clearing/processing fees. **Once these fees are paid you will receive your winnings by certified cashier's check within 24 hours.** A FedEx Envelope is ready for release to be delivered to your home address.

As part of our security protocol, your file has been assigned to an international claim office. **PLEASE CALL US AS SOON AS YOU RECEIVE THIS LETTER SO WE CAN PROCEED TO RELEASE YOUR WINNINGS AND VALIDATE THIS CHECK.** (Do not attempt to cash or verify this check before speaking with our agents as there is a stop payment on it, until we can validate your claim and authorize the release of these monies).

Congratulations,



Frank Lucas  
Executive Director

**1-514-570-1**



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525 NORTH BELT, SUITE 172

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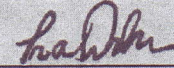
This Amount:

THREE THOUSAND FORTY DOLLARS AND 75 CENTS

\$ 3,040.75

JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A.

VOID AFTER 180 DAYS

  
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE