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JAMES HOLZHAUER BECOMES #2 ON 'JEOPARDY!' ALL-TIME CASH WINNINGS LIST WITH EIGHTH CONSECUTIVE WIN

CULVER CITY, CALIF. (April 15, 2019) – James Holzhauer, a 34-year-old professional sports gambler from Las Vegas, Nev., won his eighth game in a row today and became number two on the **JEOPARDY!** all-time cash winnings list (regular games). His total winnings of \$460,479 put him behind only Ken Jennings, whose historic 74-game winning streak yielded \$2,520,700.

Dave Madden, who previously held the number two spot behind Jennings, earned \$430,400 over the course of 19 games; Holzhauer surpassed his total in only eight games. Holzhauer's huge wagers on Daily Doubles facilitated his fast ascent to the upper echelons of the **JEOPARDY!** record books.

"When I watch at home, I always root for the contestants to bet big on Daily Doubles. They get them right most of the time, and it can give them a big leg up on the competition," Holzhauer said. "I'm proud of myself for sticking to that attitude when it was my money on the line."

Holzhauer will face two new challengers Tuesday, when he will attempt to win his ninth game.

JEOPARDY!'s 35th anniversary season premiered September 10, 2018. With a weekly audience of 23 million viewers, **JEOPARDY!** is the top-rated quiz show on television, and has received numerous awards and honors, including the 2017 Emmy for Outstanding Game Show. The show holds the Guinness World Records® title for the most Emmy® Awards won by a TV game show (34 Emmys); it is also the recipient of a 2011 Peabody Award. **JEOPARDY!** is produced by Sony Pictures Television, a Sony Pictures Entertainment Company; it is distributed domestically by CBS Television Distribution and internationally by CBS Television International, both units of CBS Corp. For more information, please visit Jeopardy.com.

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