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**TWIN CITIES-BASED PAWN AMERICA REACHES
THE MILLIONTH MARK!!**

Pawn America reaches a milestone with the company's one millionth loan!

BURNSVILLE, MN- (May 8, 2006) Pawn America is proud to announce a milestone in the company's nearly 15-year history. Pawn America issued its one millionth loan recently and it took place, ironically, at the company's Robbinsdale location, the spot of Pawn America's first ever loan transaction. After reviewing April's transaction records, the company realized the millionth loan happened Tuesday, April 11th.

"We're proud of this milestone," says Brad Rixmann, Owner and Founder of Pawn America. "It shows the tremendous growth of the company and the customers we serve. This is just one of the many benchmarks reached by Pawn America in its 15 years," says Rixmann.

Since opening its first store in Robbinsdale in 1991, Pawn America has grown to include a total of 14 Minnesota locations, more than 130 employees and 200,000 customers. Several Pawn America stores also feature the services of Payday America which specializes in short-term consumer loans at a highly competitive rate. The first Payday America store opened its doors within the Bloomington Pawn America location in 2000.

Pawn America has 14 locations in Minnesota including Anoka, Duluth, Rochester, West St. Paul, Midway, Bloomington, Coon Rapids, Mankato, St. Cloud, Robbinsdale, Burnsville, Hopkins, Roseville and Fridley. For interview opportunities, contact Michael Deering at 952-944-1319. For more information on *Pawn America* and *Payday America* including locations, directions and services, log onto www.pawnamerica.com

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