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**SWANN PARK TASK FORCE RELEASES FINAL REPORT**

Baltimore, MD (April 18, 2007) – The Swann Park Task Force has sent its third and final report to Mayor Sheila Dixon.

In this report, the Task Force examines the implications of Swann Park for Maryland’s environmental policy. The report makes recommendations on public access to information about contaminated sites, priorities, and funding for clean-up.

Swann Park Task Force members include:

- Dr. Lynn R. Goldman, a pediatrician and Professor of the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health
- Heather A. Moore, President of the Federal Hill South Neighborhood Association
- George Nilson, Baltimore City Solicitor and former Deputy Attorney General for the State of Maryland
- Dr. Joshua M. Sharfstein, Commissioner of Health for Baltimore City
- Stuart Simms, partner in the law firm of Brown, Goldstein, and Levy

The Task Force’s scientific adviser is Thomas A. Burke, Ph.D, Professor of the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health. The legal advisor is Rena I. Steinzor, Professor at the University of Maryland School of Law.

“This final report released by the Swann Park Task Force underscores many of the existing challenges we face in identifying and remediating contaminated sites in our communities,” said Congressman John Sarbanes, who represents the area of Swann Park. “I look forward to working with Mayor Dixon and Commissioner Sharfstein on a coordinated strategy to address these critical issues.”

All Swann Park Task Force reports and supporting documents are online at [www.baltimorehealth.org](http://www.baltimorehealth.org).

The report’s executive summary is attached.

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