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**Health Department Proposes Clean Crab, Informed Crab Awards for City Restaurants**

May 13, 2008 – The Baltimore City Health Department is proposing the creation of a food recognition program. Under the program, restaurants would be able to earn a Clean Crab Award for a solid record of sanitation and hygiene. Restaurants could earn an Informed Crab Award for providing consumers with important nutritional information.

“It’s time for the city to recognize those restaurants that go the extra mile to create a safe environment for consumers,” said Olivia Farrow, Assistant Commissioner, Division of Environmental Health. “We also want to make critical information on nutrition available to consumers at the point that they are purchasing food to eat.”

The Health Department is accepting comments on the proposal through July 1, 2008. Please provide comments to: [bchd@baltimorecity.gov](mailto:bchd@baltimorecity.gov) or to Olivia Farrow, assistant commissioner for Environmental Health, 210 Guilford Avenue, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Baltimore MD 21202.

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