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**Hundreds of DPSCS Employees to be Honored During
Annual Employee Appreciation Event
TOMORROW, Friday, May 8 at Blob's Park in Jessup**

TOWSON, MD (May 7, 2009)---More than 700 dedicated DPSCS employees and their families will attend the annual DPSCS Employee Appreciation Awards Luncheon on Friday, May 8, beginning at 9:30 At Blob's Park, off Md. Route 175 just east of the Baltimore-Washington Parkway in Jessup.

Maryland's largest state government agency will honor approximately 200 of its finest employees from all across the state, including correctional officers, parole and probation agents, and many support personnel in a wide variety of fields.

DPSCS Secretary Gary Maynard will present the awards and deliver remarks. The keynote speaker will be State Senator James "Ed" DeGrange, Chair of the Senate Public Safety Subcommittee.

Correctional officers, parole and probation agents, and the vast majority of the 12,000 employees of the Maryland Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services seldom receive public attention or accolades, unlike police officers and many members of sworn law enforcement. That's why President Reagan signed into law in 1984 what became a national week set aside to recognize correctional and public safety personnel across the nation.

**CORRECTIONAL AND PUBLIC SAFETY EMPLOYEES AWARDS LUNCHEON
FRIDAY, MAY 8 AT 9:30
BLOB'S PARK
OFF MD. 175 JUST EAST OF B-W PARKWAY**

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