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### **Island View Casino Resort to open Beach Blvd. Steamer restaurant**

GULFPORT, Miss. (Jan. 15, 2013) – Island View Casino Resort is expanding its amenity selection this month with a new 180-seat restaurant that focuses on fresh seafood. The Beach Blvd. Steamer, located in a freestanding building just east of Island View, is scheduled to open on Jan. 23, serving dinner Wednesday through Sunday, 5 to 10 p.m.

With a mission to serve seafood harvested through sustainable practices, the new offers a wide variety of popular and unique dishes. At the heart of the menu selection are Steamer dinners, including whole Maine lobsters; peel-and-eat and royal red shrimp; Dungeness, snow and Alaskan king crab legs; and Jonah crab claws. The meals can be ordered in a variety of combinations, and all are served with the restaurant's "bottomless" chopped salad, fresh corn on the cob and red potatoes.

Freshly shucked oysters will also be available in several preparations, including charbroiled, Bienville, Rockefeller and on the half shell.

From a pecan wood-fired grill, the restaurant will offer an eight-ounce filet mignon topped with Alaskan king crab and hollandaise sauce, Cajun or blackened redfish, salmon and pineapple chicken, as well as a surf-and-turf option.

Other entrees include shrimp Alfredo, sautéed soft-shell crabs and a baked whole flounder.

The appetizer selection includes crab-stuffed artichoke hearts, peel-and-eat shrimp and smoked yellow fin tuna dip.

Among the sides are au gratin potatoes, greens with ham hocks, macaroni and cheese and green beans with bacon.

Soups include a hearty gumbo and rich corn chowder, and the dessert offerings include key lime and banana cream pies, strawberry tall cake and red velvet cheesecake, as well as a chocolate bombe.

All meals are served with Boulevard Bread, baked in house, and Steamer Hot Spice, a house-made seasoning blend. A variety of wines, beer served in frosted glasses and cocktails will also be available.

"Since opening in 2006, we have taken great pride in steadily adding quality amenities to our

casino resort, and the Beach Blvd. Steamer continues that evolution,” said Ed Layton, vice president of hotel operations and food and beverage. “This new restaurant allows us to offer our players, locals and tourists generous servings of reasonably priced, fresh seafood in a casual coastal setting.”

Executive Sous Chef Jacqueline Seavey, an award-winning chef who has been at Island View since the resort opened, will be at the helm of the Beach Blvd. Steamer’s kitchen. Nicholas Levandowski, who previously served as assistant general manager of the resort’s Carter Green Steakhouse, has been appointed as general manager. Seavey and Levandowski will lead a team of 40 employees who will carry over Island View’s commitment to providing a quality product with exceptional customer service.

The 9,000-square-foot restaurant, located at the former Vrazel’s Fine Food site at 3206 West Beach Blvd., will offer a relaxed atmosphere, with a clean and bright décor. The walls will be accented with a gallery of fine photographic prints by local artists, and most of the art will be available for purchase.

The new restaurant rounds out the Gulfport resort’s food and beverage offerings, which includes Carter Green Steakhouse, C&G Grille, The Buffet, The Coffee shop and the Sunset Bar & Deck.

The Beach Blvd. Steamer will accept comps earned by Island View’s Insiders Players Club. More information can be found at [islandviewcasino.com](http://islandviewcasino.com), and reservations can be made by calling 877-774-VIEW (8439).

### **About Island View Casino Resort:**

Island View Casino Resort opened on Sept. 18, 2006 as the only casino in Gulfport, Miss. The land-based casino, located on 40 acres of waterfront property, currently offers an 80,000-plus-square-foot casino with approximately 2,000 slots and 46 table games. The 520,000-square-foot resort also features a 562-room hotel with a tropical pool and cabanas; Carter Green Steakhouse, the resort’s signature restaurant; C&G Grille, offering contemporary, casual dining; The Buffet, a 400-seat restaurant; The Coffee Shop, an upscale deli; and The View Showroom, a 550-seat entertainment venue. Island View Casino Resort is privately held by Rick Carter and Terry Green, two Gulfport natives and longtime casino executives committed to the post-Hurricane Katrina rebuilding efforts of the Mississippi Gulf Coast.