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### **Arturo Hernandez of Palm Desert Named Winner of City Wok Menu Contest**

(PALM DESERT, CA -- ) As six-time winner of *The Desert Sun's* Best of the Valley "Best Chinese Restaurant" award, you could rest on your laurels. But not City Wok. The desert's #1 Chinese Restaurant and favorite take out restaurant wanted to ensure loyal diners found all they desired on the City Wok menu. A recent contest to suggest a new menu item brought hundreds of responses, announced founder and creator Stuart Davis, and yielded one winner: Arturo Hernandez of Palm Desert who advocated for Lemon Grass Vegetable Soup with Shelled Edamame.

"At City Wok, we encourage guest interaction and passion about our concept and menu. To that end, we offered our 10,000 guest E Club the opportunity to suggest an item they'd like to see on our menu. We are delighted to announce that Arturo Hernandez has earned the prize of six months of City Wok, a \$600 value!" Davis said.

The contest proved a rousing success. "We were flattered and excited to see hundreds of great suggestions," Davis added. "But what was particularly gratifying was the number of very positive write-in comments our patrons sent us along with their entries."

Hernandez, who works for the County of Riverside Department of Social Services, has been dining at his neighborhood City Wok since he moved to the desert seven years ago. "One of the things that always stood out for me was that the food is very fresh and healthful," he said. "Several years ago, I went on a health kick and changed my diet and started running. City Wok's lettuce wraps are one of my staples!" His dedication to healthy food choices inspired his light, flavorful winning suggestion.

City Wok has been pleasing savvy diners since the inaugural restaurant opened in North Hollywood 22 years. With its contemporary yet casual restaurants featuring authentic, upscale Asian cuisine always made to order, over the years, City Wok has developed a large customer base. "Named one of *Restaurant Hospitality's* "Concepts of Tomorrow," City Wok is an award-winning East-meets-West Chinese restaurant chain with locations in Studio City, Palm Desert, and San Diego, CA; as well as Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic and Washington Dulles International Airport. The newest City Wok will open in the Denver Airport in late spring 2012.

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