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**WATERFORD HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT RECEIVES  
DONALD B. WILBUR SCHOLARSHIP FROM LIBERTY BANK FOUNDATION**

WATERFORD, CT — Sydney Tabor has been selected as the 2018 recipient of the Donald B. Wilbur Scholarship, presented by the Liberty Bank Foundation. Established in 2008 in honor of retiring Liberty Bank Chairman Donald B. Wilbur, the \$1,000 scholarship is presented annually to an outstanding graduating high school senior who plans to major in engineering or a technology-related field.



Sydney Tabor

Tabor will be a 2018 graduate of Waterford High School and plans to attend Western New England University to pursue studies in genetic research and medical technology. Tabor is described in a letter of recommendation as a role model student with a true desire to succeed.

Tabor completed over 400 hours of community service in Waterford. This, in part, helped her win The Congressional Award, Gold Medal for achievements in public service, personal development, physical fitness, and exploration. Another nominator, Amy Pisani, executive director, ECBT, noted, “Sydney is an exceptional young lady who will most certainly make this world a better place through her passion, commitment, and fortitude.”

Tabor is a member of the National Honor Society, and the World Language Honor Society. She has also received awards for her performance in athletics.

Donald B. Wilbur became a corporator of Liberty Bank in 1993 and joined the board of directors two years later. He was elected chairman in 2004 and served in that role until his retirement from the board in 2008. He retired in 2002 as plant manager of Unilever HPC, USA in Clinton. A graduate of the University of Connecticut, Wilbur joined Chesebrough-Pond's USA in 1970 and held various positions over the years at plants in Alabama, Missouri, and Connecticut.

Since its inception in 1997, the Liberty Bank Foundation has awarded over \$11 million in grants to nonprofit organizations within Liberty Bank's market area. The foundation seeks to improve the quality of life for people of low or moderate income by investing in three areas: education to promote economic success for children and families; affordable housing; and nonprofit capacity building. Along with its grantmaking, the foundation strives to foster the convening and collaboration of nonprofits, funders, business, and government to address community issues.

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#### **PHOTO CAPTION**

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