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## **LIBERTY BANK SEEKS NOMINATIONS FOR WILLARD M. McRAE COMMUNITY DIVERSITY AWARD**

MIDDLETOWN, CT — Liberty Bank is seeking nominations from the public for the 2014 Willard M. McRae Community Diversity Award. Created by the bank in 2001, the award honors an individual who has made an outstanding and ongoing contribution to the cause of promoting and celebrating diversity in the communities served by the bank. It is named in honor of Willard McRae, past chairman of the Liberty Bank Board of Directors and a founding member of the Liberty Bank Foundation Board of Directors.

Through involvement with a community service organization, the individual selected to receive the McRae Community Diversity Award will have enhanced the quality of life by raising awareness that diversity is a source of strength in our communities. He/she will be a leader in building positive relationships between different people — relationships in which they view their differences as assets, not liabilities.

The award recipient will be selected by a committee consisting of Liberty Bank employees and corporators, and will receive the opportunity to direct a \$5,000 donation from the Liberty Bank Foundation to the nonprofit organization of his/her choice.

Nomination forms and details on the award are available in every Liberty Bank office, and can also be downloaded from the bank's website at [www.liberty-bank.com](http://www.liberty-bank.com). Questions about the award may be directed to (860) 638-2961. The deadline to submit a nomination is September 12, 2014.

Established in 1825, Liberty Bank is Connecticut's oldest mutual bank, with more than \$3.7 billion in assets and 49 banking offices throughout the central, eastern, and shoreline areas of the state. As a full-service financial institution, Liberty offers consumer and commercial banking, home mortgages, insurance, and investment services. Rated outstanding by federal regulators on its community reinvestment efforts, Liberty maintains a longstanding commitment to superior personal service and unparalleled community involvement.

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