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**MASSACHUSETTS BANKERS ASSOCIATION
 SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION GRANTS**

BOSTON, Jan. 24, 2019 – The Massachusetts Bankers Association (MBA) Scholarship Foundation is pleased to announce its scholarship awards for the 2018 - 2019 academic year. This year we have awarded six \$2,000 college scholarships to the children of eligible bank employees. The Foundation also provided two "Honorable Mention" awards.

The MBA Scholarship Foundation Awards are open annually to entering-college freshmen who are the children of MBA-member bank employees. The foundation reviewed more than 40 applications and chose six recipients to receive the \$2,000 awards. In addition to submitting G.P.A., SAT, ACT scores, and extra-curricular activities, the entrants were required to answer an essay question.

"The applicants were a fine group of young people," said Daniel J. Forte, president & CEO of the MBA. "The six scholarship recipients and the two honorable mention students who wrote great essays should all be very proud, there was a lot of tough competition."

All of the recipients follow:

Scholarship Award Recipients:

Student	College	Parent	Bank
Daniel Tsyvin Newton, MA	Hamilton College	Ludmila Krivinsky	Needham Bank
Hadley Carlton Marblehead, MA	Bowdoin College	Megan Carlton	Salem Five Bank
Jacob Weaver Hopedale, MA	UMass Amherst	Melanie Weaver	Milford National Bank
Emma Sekercan Rockport, MA	University of Vermont	Gregory Sekercan	Salem Five Bank
Mairead Hagan Westfield, MA	Fairfield University	James Hagan	Westfield Bank
Jack Thompson Centerville, MA	UMass Amherst	Elizabeth Thompson	Cape Cod Five Cents Savings Bank

The Honorable Mention Recipients:

Gianna Martin
Woburn, MA
(PARENT: Leah Martin - Salem Five Bank)

Kirstyn Murray
Raynham, MA
(PARENT: Jessica Mason - Stoughton Co-Operative Bank)

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