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Merchants Bank Wins Burlington Business Association Award!

SOUTH BURLINGTON, VT –Thomas S. Leavitt, Senior Vice President of Retail Banking for Merchants Bank announced that Merchants Bank is the recipient of the *Clean Sweep Award*. The award went to Merchants Bank for sponsoring and participating in Downtown Burlington’s Clean Up event on May 6. The Burlington Business Association presented awards at the association's 27th annual dinner on Thursday night.

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