

Six Birmingham area businesses were among the 100 recently honored by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce as recipients of the organization's annual Blue Ribbon Awards. There were nine recognized statewide by the organization.

Birminghamians now get a chance to help one of these businesses receive <u>the organization's</u> <u>Community Excellence Award</u>, but only until 10:59 a.m., CT tonight!

The website for the organization's **America's Small Business Summit** (where all the businesses will be awarded on June 13) states the award "is designed to highlight a business that has found success in the eyes of its community." The voting takes place online, and you're allowed one vote per email address. Here's the list of local winners:

- Bhate Geosciences, Corp.
- McSweeney Holdings
- Proventix Systems, Inc.
- Relax, It's Handled
- Silvertron Cafe
- Urban Cookhouse

The local winners will also learn on March 19 if one of them are among the seven regional finalists. One of them will receive the Dream Big Small Business of the Year Award (and \$10,000) while at the Summit.