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## **Jefferson's Ferry Promotes Michele Berti to Vice President of Human Resources**



**S. Setauket, NY...February 15, 2018...**Jefferson's Ferry Life Plan Community recently promoted Human Resources professional Michele Berti to Vice President of Human Resources. In this role she will continue to lead the not-for-profit community's efforts to provide the very best service to Jefferson's Ferry residents with well trained, dedicated and caring staff. Jefferson's Ferry President and CEO Robert E. Caulfield made the announcement.

"Over her two years at Jefferson's Ferry, Michele's leadership has had a significant impact on our HR department and organization as a whole," said Bob Caulfield. "In addition to successfully navigating the complexities of local, state and federal laws governing employee and labor matters, Michele has played a leading role in recruiting and retaining highly talented, dedicated and compassionate individuals who share Jefferson's Ferry's core values and are committed to our vision."

As Vice President, Michele has overall responsibility for Human Resources activities including recruitment, training, employee development, benefits and compensation. Jefferson's Ferry employs 350 full and part time employees serving more than 425 residents. Michele joined Jefferson's Ferry in 2016 as Director of Human Resources. Prior to that, Michele was the Assistant Director of Human Resources for United Cerebral Palsy- Suffolk County, where she successfully met the needs of diverse employee groups while insuring that the staffing needs of a 24/7 operation were met.

Michele holds a Master of Public Administration from the Michigan State University and is a member of the Society of Human Resource Management. She lives in Smithtown with her husband and daughter. In her spare time, she enjoys visiting Manhattan's cultural institutions, including Broadway and the ballet.

**About Jefferson's Ferry ([www.jeffersonsferry.org](http://www.jeffersonsferry.org))**

Jefferson's Ferry is a not-for-profit Life Plan community for active adults age 62 and above, with cottages, apartments, assisted living, and a quality health care center all on one site. Located in South Setauket, a vibrant community along Long Island's north shore, Jefferson's Ferry is surrounded by various attractions, shopping, beaches, theaters, and a world-renowned university. Jefferson's Ferry offers exceptional living and amenities, including restaurants, fitness center, indoor pool, computer center, library, recreational areas, gardens, and gazebos. A mix of cultural excursions, civic activities, and a community of residents who participate in shaping Jefferson's Ferry's future, ensures a spirited and engaged lifestyle.

Jefferson's Ferry earned a 5-star rating from The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), and was named a "Best Of" nursing home by U.S. News & World Report. Additionally, FitchRatings has assigned Jefferson's Ferry a BBB+ bond rating. Locally, Jefferson's Ferry has consistently been voted Best Retirement Community and Best Assisted Living on Long Island by The Long Island Press. Jefferson's Ferry has also regularly been recognized for Excellence by the Hauppauge Industrial Association's Business Achievement Awards program.