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Gregory N. Ferraris Receives Trustee of the Year Award from LeadingAge New York

GREENPORT, N.Y. – LeadingAge New York has honored Gregory N. Ferraris, longtime Treasurer and member of Peconic Landing’s Board of Trustees, with its 2020 Trustee of the Year Award.

The award recognizes those who have “served unselfishly and with distinction devoting significant contributions of time and effort toward the betterment of his or her organization or service to seniors,” according to LeadingAge New York. The advocacy organization, formerly known as the New York Association of Homes & Services for the Aging (NYAHSA), represents not-for-profit, mission-driven and public continuing care providers.

Gregory joined Peconic Landing’s Board of Trustees in 2005 as the Chair of the Finance and Audit Committee and became Treasurer in 2009, demonstrating an unwavering dedication to Peconic Landing’s core values. He was nominated for this award by his fellow board members for his strong sense of integrity, valuable expertise in accounting, deep personal commitment, and an honest desire to perform a public good.

He began his career as a certified public accountant in 1991 soon after receiving his Bachelor of Science degree from Long Island University. He was a tax and audit manager at a midsize CPA firm in Boston, Massachusetts prior to returning to his hometown of Sag Harbor, New York in 2008 to form the firm of Banducci, Katz and Ferraris, where he served as managing partner for 20 years. In January 2017, Gregory formed his own firm, GNFerraris, which today serves several not-for-profit organizations and municipal entities.

Gregory’s commitment to his craft is evident by the successful practice he leads. His broad experience in tax, auditing and consulting provides a unique global expertise to a diversified clientele in an array of industries. He particularly assists Peconic Landing in navigating through the complexities of new financial pronouncements and tax regulations, and the intricacies of not-for-profit and healthcare financial management. His countless hours of oversight have not gone unnoticed. “Greg has guided Peconic Landing with his knowledge of the not-for-profit environment and his many years of experience with our unique member based community. We believe this accolade is well deserved,” said Carol W. Hance, Chairman of Peconic Landing’s Board of Trustees.

Gregory is a member of the AICPA and the New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants. His commitment to public service is evident not only through his

profession; he served as mayor of his hometown and currently serves as chairman of the local municipal Planning Board and Board of Ethics for the incorporated Village of Sag Harbor. He is involved in numerous civic organizations and is the current President and Treasurer of both the Sag Harbor Community Housing Trust and the Reutershan Educational Trust.

This prestigious accolade confirms that Gregory represents the finest qualities of professionalism and a paramount commitment to service. "The Peconic Landing community is extremely blessed to have a Trustee like Greg Ferraris. His expert knowledge, ethical values and commitment to excellence have strengthened our community," stated Robert J. Syron, President and CEO.

Gregory was presented with the award by LeadingAge New York President and CEO, James W. Clyne Jr. during a virtual awards ceremony on December 2nd.

LeadingAge New York is a not-for-profit advocacy group representing more than 600 retirement communities throughout the state. It also represents an estimated 150,000 professionals serving more than 500,000 New Yorkers annually.

Peconic Landing is a nationally recognized, equity-based Continuing Care Retirement Community overlooking the breathtaking Long Island Sound. Located on the North Fork of a half-mile of private Sound Beach, the organization works on a mission of being the retirement community of choice for individuals age 62 and better by encouraging our members to enjoy a vibrant lifestyle and presenting ample opportunity for members to pursue their interests and passions to the fullest. For more information on Peconic Landing, please visit www.peconiclanding.org.

