



Ventas CEO, Debra A. Cafaro, Recognized among Harvard Business Review's "The Best-Performing CEOs in the World"

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CHICAGO--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Oct. 16, 2014-- Ventas, Inc.'s (NYSE: VTR) ("Ventas" or the "Company") Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Debra A. Cafaro, was recognized by the *Harvard Business Review* ("HBR") in its 2014 list of "The Best-Performing CEOs in the World." Cafaro was ranked number 27 out of 100 chief executive officers. This esteemed list ranks executives on their contribution to long-term company growth. HBR looked specifically at increase in total shareholder return and market capitalization in formulating its rankings.

The annual ranking was determined from a list of CEOs in the S&P Global 1200 at the end of 2013. For each executive, HBR looked at three metrics: industry-adjusted shareholder returns, country-adjusted shareholder returns, and increase in market capitalization over the CEO's tenure. Recognizing that being a good CEO is about far more than just investment performance, HBR asked the Reputation Institute to rank the top 100 CEOs on skills such as work environment, citizenship, governance and leadership.

During her tenure at the Company beginning in 1999 through the measurement date, Ventas delivered 1,761 percent in total shareholder return, adjusted by country, and 1,636 percent in total shareholder return, adjusted by industry. The Company's market capitalization has increased \$20 billion during her tenure.

For more information about "The Best-Performing CEOs in the World" list, please click [here](#).

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