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**BETHPAGE FEDERAL CREDIT UNION GROWS TO
THIRD BEST COMPANY TO WORK FOR IN NEW YORK STATE**

Bethpage, New York – August 10, 2017 – Bethpage Federal Credit Union, New York State’s largest credit union, announces that it has risen to the third Best Company to Work For in New York State among 24 employers, by the New York State Society for Human Resources Management’s (NYS-SHRM) annual *Best Companies to Work for in New York State* awards program. Bethpage was previously ranked eighth in 2016.

“We are honored to be recognized for our growing achievements in employee engagement for the second consecutive year,” said Wayne N. Grossé, President and CEO, Bethpage. “Our employees are our most important asset and the embodiment of our brand. We are as committed to our employees as we are to our members.”

Created in 2007, the awards program evaluates and ranks the best places of employment through a state-wide survey designed to identify, recognize, and honor the best places to work in New York, whose practices benefit the State’s businesses, economy and workforce. Companies participate in a two-part survey which includes a Benefits and Policies questionnaire and an Employee Engagement and Satisfaction survey that accounts for 75% of their score.

Over 440 Bethpage employees participated in the internal survey earning Bethpage very high rankings in Corporate Culture and Communications, Training and Development, Role Satisfaction and Overall Engagement categories, among others.

Bethpage currently organizes ten internal employee clubs, daily lunch-and-learns, wellness engagement activities such as Fitbit competitions, training and development programs, and more. Benefits include tuition reimbursement, gym reimbursement, and a pet discount care program. In 2016, Bethpage became the recipient of the American Heart Association's coveted AHA Gold Status Award – recognizing Bethpage as a “Fit Friendly Worksite” for its initiatives to promote employee health and fitness.

“Bethpage fosters a culture that supports employees and celebrates their successes,” said Douglas O’Neill, Senior Vice President, Human Resources, Bethpage. “Employees are also empowered to pay it forward to the communities we serve through volunteer time and the many charitable organizations Bethpage supports. Employees know they have made a difference by the ongoing gratitude they receive and the positive impact they have made on the many lives they have touched.”

Bethpage Federal Credit Union employs 670 on Long Island, and operates 35 branch locations. Bethpage recently opened its first New York City branch location in Chelsea.

The Best Companies to Work for in New York State program is a partnership between the NYS-SHRM, The Business Council of New York and Best Companies Group. For more information on the Best Companies to Work for in New York State program, please visit www.BestCompaniesNY.com.

Bethpage Federal Credit Union is a premier community financial institution committed to enriching the lives of its members, employees and the communities it serves for the past 75 years. Bethpage is the largest credit union in the Northeast Region, as well as 16th in the nation. Bethpage is a federally chartered credit union open to anyone that opens a \$5 minimum share account. As a financial cooperative, Bethpage offers the best-in market rates, low fees and world-class service, and a full menu of personal and commercial financial services.

On Long Island, Bethpage maintains branch locations in Albertson, Baldwin, Bay Shore, Bay Shore King Kullen, Bethpage, Centereach, Central Islip, Commack King Kullen, East Meadow NuHealth Medical Center, East Northport, Elmont, Farmingdale, Freeport, Glen Cove, Hempstead, Huntington, Levittown King Kullen, LIU Post (Brookville), Long Beach, Lynbrook, Massapequa, Melville, Mineola, North Babylon, Patchogue, Port Jefferson, Riverhead, Roosevelt, Seaford, Smithtown, Valley Stream King Kullen, West Babylon and

Westbury. In New York City, Bethpage maintains a branch location at 111 W 26th Street. Bethpage also offers over 500 surcharge-free ATMs in King Kullen, CVS Pharmacy and Costco locations. For more information on Bethpage's robust portfolio of banking, borrowing, and investment services, visit www.bethpagefcu.com or call 1-800-628-7070.

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