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THE RITZ-CARLTON, HALF MOON BAY WELCOMES ROBERTO RIVEROS AS EXECUTIVE SOUS CHEF

From the top of the world to the edge of the world, Riveros completes the culinary team for the San Francisco Bay Area's only oceanfront resort

HALF MOON BAY, Calif. (June 24, 2019) – The Ritz-Carlton, Half Moon Bay, a Forbes 'World's Most Luxurious Hotel' is pleased to announce the appointment of Roberto Riveros as Executive Sous Chef. Roberto was previously the Chef de Cuisine for Ozone at The Ritz-Carlton, Hong Kong - the illustrious bar that is one of the highest in the world.

With a passion for food and cooking since childhood, Chilean-born Roberto brings with him over 16 years of international culinary experience at world-renowned restaurants including in Lima, Santiago, Barcelona and Hong Kong. As Chef de Cuisine at Ozone at The Ritz-Carlton, Hong Kong – named one of the "10 Best Rooftop Bars in the World by *Condé Nast Traveler* - Roberto's acclaimed tapas menus celebrated Asian, Spanish and Mediterranean cuisines. Inspired by his experience at Michelin star dining establishments, Roberto launched a chef-led Private Kitchen concept at Ozone, where guests enjoyed a personalized seven-course menu that matched the bar's exceptional city views.

Prior to taking the helm at Ozone, Roberto spent six years at Three Michelin-Star Lasarte Restaurant in Barcelona, working under one of his greatest mentors Martin Berasategui whom taught him to respect and take special care of ingredients and that the guests should always leave happy. This evolved into Roberto's own food philosophy of crafting dishes that are so well balanced and distinguished that they become a lasting memory for a guest. Roberto's early culinary career also included Chef de Partie positions at Hotel Arts Barcelona and training at Adra at The Ritz-Carlton, Santiago.

Roberto joins Executive Chef Jakob Esko and Pastry Chef Aurelien Revil-Signorat, now completing the resort's culinary team renowned for culinary excellence on the coast. In his role as Executive Sous Chef, Roberto will oversee all of the resort's culinary facilities including banquets, in room dining and restaurants. This will be Roberto's first culinary venture in California and he looks forward to working with the rich agricultural bounty of the Northern California coast as well as putting his own unique culinary imprint on the resort's menus.

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