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Dear Friend,

Over the past 20 years, it has been Diamond Dance Company's honor to be play an integral part in Kent and Sussex County's live performing arts community. Each year, we bring the beauty of classical ballet to the community through performances of full length ballets such as the Nutcracker, The Little Mermaid, Wizard of Oz and Beauty and the Beast. We work tirelessly to bring professional level productions to our small town.

Our impact in our community goes well beyond our productions. Each year our dance studio, the Tatiana Akinfieva Dance Academy, trains over 100 young artists between the ages of 3-17 in the disciplines of ballet, tap, jazz, and contemporary dance. In addition to professional level training, dancers learn dedication, the value of hard work and teamwork. We also believe in encouraging our students to give back to our local community. Annually, our dancers voluntarily perform for local retirement communities, senior centers and community events. It is our hope that our dancers will carry those lessons with them wherever the future takes them.

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We have experienced tremendous growth over the years. The dancers have grown, as has the demand for high-level training in our community. Due to the size of our current studio space, we have found ourselves in a position of having to turn away students. This fall our company was presented with a dream come true... the opportunity to purchase the Agro Flooring building located on Washington Street. This expanded space will allow our organization the room for continued growth but more importantly the opportunity for us to make a bigger impact on the youth in our community.

We are asking you today to collaborate with us by providing financial sponsorship to aid us in our goal. Your donation will be utilized to outfit a state-of-the-art performing arts center for students throughout the state. The new studio will feature 3 large spaces to allow for more students and more space for training and rehearsals, a small performance space, and specialized flooring which helps to minimize a dancers risk of injury.

Your donation to our capital campaign will help us to achieve and ensure that the performing arts stay alive in our lower counties. We encourage you to make a donation to help us achieve our goal of raising \$100,000.

Thank you in advance for your contribution. Your donation will help support our efforts to continue to provide the best skills and produce quality dancers in lower Delaware.

With Gratitude, The Diamond Dance Company Board of Directors

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