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Dear Friends and Fellow Art Patrons:

The Norman Ballet Company is 25 years old! This is quite an achievement for a ballet company that began in 1984 with visions of “bringing the dance” to Norman through young dancers. The dedication of the Artistic Director, our dear Marjorie Kovich, a handful of avid supporters like Betty London and Larry Walker, and support from many parents has resulted in a rich tradition of ballet productions in a professional atmosphere that has become an integral part of the Arts in Norman. Several of our former dancers are employed in the arts, from professional ballet companies to universities and Broadway.

The NBC will again include renowned guest dancers in the Oklahoma Nutcracker. This provides our young dancers the opportunity to learn directly from working professionals. Our Community Outreach Program will continue with a school performance for 4<sup>th</sup> grade students from central Oklahoma, and the Community Outreach program for children and their families and senior citizens from various organizations (Camp Cavett, The Children’s Center, Camp Hope, and various Assisted Living Centers and Nursing Homes).

We appreciate your past support and thank you for helping us bring opportunities for professional ballet performance to young dancers. Our performances are possible only through the support of the ballet community from friends like you. Please become a member of the NBC by completing the enclosed membership form. NBC members receive advanced notice of ticket sales two weeks before the box office opens to the public.

The highlight of our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration will occur during the 8<sup>th</sup> production of “The Oklahoma Nutcracker,” December 19-20, 2009, at the Sooner Theatre. We are planning a reception at the Norman Depot following the final matinee on Sunday, December 20<sup>th</sup>. Our guest list includes city officials, business leaders, NBC alumni, patrons of ballet, and other guests who have ensured the Company’s success in the past.

Please join the Celebration! On behalf of the Board of Directors of the NBC and all those who benefit from its work, thank you for the strong show of support over the past 25 years. Help us continue our great tradition of “bringing the dance” to Norman.

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