Dear Dance & Company Dancers and Families -

Miss Lisa and I have some important news that we would like to share with all of our members of our Dance & Company family.

We learned a few months ago that our new landlords purchased our Sorrento Valley building with the specific intent to terminate all tenant leases, tear down the building and repurpose for biotech. As you can imagine, this news came as quite a surprise to us as it was never in our plans to leave our beloved flagship location, our first baby and truly a big part of our heart and soul.

Between the 2022 Production earlier this year, coming out of a global pandemic, Miss Katie's new baby due in December and everything else that life has thrown our way, we've been trying to wrap our heads around the future of Dance & Company. We have spent the last few months meeting with brokers, touring spaces in the Sorrento Valley area with the hope of relocating, and taking a hard look at what this could mean for us on a professional, financial and personal level.

After several months of consideration, it is with a heavy heart that we share with you we will be permanently closing the doors to our beloved Sorrento Valley location on June 30th, 2023. We will be consolidating our business to the Rancho Bernardo location and our plan is to be fully and solely operational at our Rancho Bernardo facility by July of 2023.

While we are sad to say goodbye to our Sorrento Valley location, we look forward to bringing our entire dance community back together under one single roof at our Rancho Bernardo location. As difficult as this decision has been to make, we do feel that the silver lining of this consolidation will allow myself, Miss Lisa and our amazing team to be more present and focused on the needs of our program and students.

In the next several months, we will be working tirelessly behind the scenes to deliver information as it relates to class schedules, logistics, and all other aspects of this transition. While some of you who dance primarily at our

Sorrento Valley location may not find the Rancho Bernardo location as conveniently located, our plan is to do everything possible to work with our families and students to find solutions to help with this transition. Some of things we will be working on behind the scenes are:

- Creating block scheduling to allow students to consolidate their days at the studio.
- Organizing a carpool program for our students traveling a further distance.
- Pre-registration beginning in March 2023 to secure a place in class for when we begin our new season in July 2023

We understand that this news will leave many questions unanswered, but we ask that you be patient with us as we actively work through this transition. Rest assured that we will be as transparent as we possibly can throughout the process and will be communicating updates to you when we have them. As we embark on this transition, we remain committed to the future of Dance & Company with clear communication and above all, the happiness and safety of our dancers.

We kindly ask that you please direct any immediate questions to inquiries@danceandcompany.net, and we will do our best to answer within 48 hours. Katie, Lisa and the DCo Staff simply do not have the capacity to discuss this during studio hours as our goal is to continue to deliver the high quality dance education and positive atmosphere that you and your dancers have grown to know and love at Dance & Company. We do welcome your questions as well as your suggestions as to how we can best accommodate your needs for this studio transition.

In the meantime - **THE SHOW MUST GO ON!** Production 2023 will run as it has been for the past 5 years, inclusive of both the RB and SV studios. You can expect all things Production-related to look very similar to this past year, including combined classes, rehearsal schedules, and day-of events. This will be our final Production as Dance & Company RB and SV, and it will certainly be one to remember. Production registration opens November 28, 2022, and more information will be available in the coming weeks.. We hope you will join us for this memorable "**End of an Era**" Production.

This has been a very emotional time for us as we set forth on our final season at the Sorrento Valley location. However, we are excited to welcome our Sorrento Valley students to the Rancho Bernardo location; And, although the future may look different than we expected, we look forward to continuing to share our passion for dance and the performing arts for many wonderful years to come.

We truly appreciate your dedication and support.

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