



HOUSE RESOLUTION 02-1009

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CONCERNING THE RECOGNITION OF BALLET NOUVEAU COLORADO.

WHEREAS, Established in 1992, Ballet Nouveau Colorado is a nonprofit arts organization located in Broomfield, Colorado, that provides unparalleled dance training that combines professional instruction with individual care and attention through an entirely new approach to the art of classical dance; and

WHEREAS, Ballet Nouveau Colorado currently serves 300 students from the ages of 3 to over 60, including dancers of all abilities and aspirations, and provides scholarships to help these dancers study dance; and

WHEREAS, Ballet Nouveau Colorado has been serving the north metro Denver community for 10 seasons by nurturing, enriching, and inspiring artistic excellence through comprehensive dance education, training, and performance; and

WHEREAS, Ballet Nouveau Colorado has established a reputation for excellence and innovation both regionally and nationally, and has become a leader in the arts community within Denver's north metro area; and

WHEREAS, In 1998, Ballet Nouveau Colorado became the second certified school of the arts in Colorado, based on the quality of curriculum, faculty, educational programs, and overall philosophy; and

WHEREAS, Ballet Nouveau Colorado provides exceptional opportunities for talented young dancers to perform in professional settings, providing valuable experience through roles usually reserved for adults; and

WHEREAS, Ballet Nouveau Colorado is committed to bringing arts to the community as evidenced through their Outreach performances and educational programs, which bring dance to over 10,000 community members every year; and

WHEREAS, Ballet Nouveau Colorado's school residency program brings dance to 4th and 5th grade public school students in the context of colonial studies by collaborating closely with each school to fully integrate dance with the official curriculum; and

WHEREAS, Ballet Nouveau Colorado's free performances, lectures, and demonstrations in schools, senior centers, hospitals, and other community locations bring dance to thousands of individuals, many for the very first time; and

WHEREAS, Ballet Nouveau Colorado presents two major productions every year, including the Nutcracker, which has been named to the Critic's Choice / Best Bet for the past 3 years by the major Denver newspapers, and the spring concerts, which are well known for their artistic innovations and collaborations; and

WHEREAS, Ballet Nouveau Colorado serves as a community catalyst for the arts, providing leadership for other arts organizations in the north metro area through seminars, workshops, and one-on-one advisories, and partners with other regional organizations to broaden the reach of the arts into the community; and

WHEREAS, In 2001, Ballet Nouveau Colorado built a new, state-of-the-art facility that includes community space and a visual artist studio and serves as a focal point for the arts in the north metro area, supplying much needed low-cost rehearsal, performance, and meeting space; and

WHEREAS, Ballet Nouveau Colorado represents the state of Colorado and the art of dance nationally as chair of the Rocky Mountain chapter of the National Guild of Community Schools of the Arts, and actively participates in national seminars, committees, and planning sessions; and

WHEREAS, Ballet Nouveau Colorado is committed to expanding its programming on a statewide level and bringing arts education and innovative performance to communities throughout Colorado; now, therefore,

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Sixty-third General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

That we, the members of the House of Representatives of the state of Colorado, hereby recognize Ballet Nouveau Colorado for its commitment to bringing arts to the metropolitan region and for providing a wonderful educational haven to individuals who are interested in dance.

Be It Further Resolved, That a copy of this Resolution be sent to Ballet Nouveau Colorado and Governor Bill Owens.

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