

## To Whom It May Concern,

We are writing this letter in support of The Kelowna Citizens for a New Performing Arts Centre Society. As owners of The Canadian School of Ballet we have a great deal invested in our annual performances. The Canadian School of Ballet was established in 1938 and has been a long-standing business in Kelowna for 50 years. Part of what makes our studio unique is that we have been able to share the joy of The Nutcracker with our community for the past 30 years. In collaboration with Ballet Kelowna, we have created a great tradition among many families throughout our community. Not only do we present 5 sold out shows of The Nutcracker but we also present our year end production shows. The Canadian School of Ballet along with many other local dance studios have been using this venue to hold year end shows for many years. Needless to say, it is of the utmost importance that we are able to continue to use this venue while a newer Performing Arts Center is being built. Our business and many other businesses rely on the use of The Kelowna Community Theatre in order to keep our doors open. Not having a venue for our shows would be the end of a very historical and valuable tradition in Kelowna.

Sincerely, Carley Bailey and Regeanna Stubel Directors