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California State Senator Angelique Ashby to Honor Sacramento Ballet's 70th Anniversary Season with Special Resolution During *Romeo & Juliet*

Sacramento, CA – February 5, 2025 – Sacramento Ballet is honored to announce that California State Senator Angelique V. Ashby will present a formal resolution recognizing the company's 70th Anniversary Season on February 15, 2025, at the SAFE Credit Union Performing Arts Center. This momentous occasion will take place before the evening performance of *Romeo & Juliet*, the highly anticipated world premiere choreographed by Young Soon Hue. Notably, this production marks the first full-length ballet ever performed in North America by the internationally acclaimed choreographer, making it a historic milestone for Sacramento Ballet and the wider dance community.

The resolution acknowledges Sacramento Ballet's extraordinary contributions to the arts over the past seven decades, including the organization's ongoing commitment to fostering artistic innovation, welcoming renowned dancers and choreographers, and ensuring accessibility to dance for all. It also acknowledges key milestones, such as the launch of Sacramento Ballet's Second Company (SBSC) in 2022 and the School of Sacramento Ballet's dedication to training future generations of dancers. Additionally, it celebrates the leadership of Anthony Krutzkamp, who has curated a groundbreaking season that both honors the company's history and propels it into the future.

"This resolution is a testament to the hard work, dedication, and artistic excellence that Sacramento Ballet has upheld for 70 years," said Artistic and Executive Director Anthony Krutzkamp. "We are deeply grateful to Senator Ashby for recognizing the significance of our company's legacy and the role we play in bringing the arts to our community."

Adding to the evening's significance, Senator Ashby's presentation will also take place during Sacramento Ballet's Company Alumni Celebration, where past company dancers from over the years will gather to commemorate the company's rich history and watch the groundbreaking performance of *Romeo & Juliet* together. This special event underscores the lasting impact of Sacramento Ballet's artistic contributions and its enduring connection to generations of dancers.

Senator Ashby's presentation will be a historic moment in Sacramento Ballet's 70th Anniversary Celebration, bringing together past and present dancers, supporters, and arts patrons to commemorate this significant achievement. The evening will be further elevated by the premiere of *Romeo & Juliet*, a bold and reimagined take on Shakespeare's classic tale of love and fate, marking a milestone in Sacramento Ballet's artistic journey.

Sacramento Ballet invites the public to join this celebratory performance and witness a defining moment in the company's history. Tickets for *Romeo & Juliet* are available now at SacBallet.org.

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