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Dear Ms. Graf-Apostol,

As German Consul General in Los Angeles I am pleased to congratulate you and the Palos Verdes Ballet on the occasion of its 30th Anniversary. We would like to thank you and all the dancers of the Palos Verdes Ballet for successfully bringing the renowned classical German fairy tale “The Nutcracker” to life.

As former Prima Ballerina of the Staatsoper Hamburg, you have succeeded in transferring your vast experience to generations of dedicated students. Your dedication and enthusiasm has inspired and transformed a great number of these students.

Under your leadership, the Palos Verdes Ballet has become one of the leading ballet training schools. Palos Verdes Ballet students have received scholarships from highly regarded ballet schools all over the United States as well as from the Royal Ballet School, London and the Royal Danish Ballet.

We hope that Palos Verdes Ballet will continue to enrich Southern California with its performances.

With our best wishes for a memorable performance and a continuing successful future.

Sincerely,

Wolfgang Drautz
(Consul General)