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To Whom It May Concern,

We are thrilled to have had the chance to once again collaborate with Dance Parade, Inc. this past Spring season. Dance Parade teaching artists, Philip Galinsky and Luciana Da Silva introduced our beloved older adult community to an engaging series of Brazilian Samba dance and music classes. Partnering with Dance Parade's Ageless Action Program at our center has been a truly remarkable experience for our older adult members and has become a highlight of our program offerings.

Dance Parade skillfully arranged the schedule and coordinated with the teaching artists, who provided a lively and enjoyable class tailored to our members' needs, keeping them active, and introducing them to the world of Samba. The feedback from our community was extremely enthusiastic and we are looking for ways to continue the classes. The final presentation for family and friends showcased the positive impact of the program and the new skills our participants developed during their time with Philip and Luciana.

The two teaching artist's co-taught the classes. Their collaboration of music & dance and inspiring leadership was a source of motivation, consistently demonstrating an exceptional ability to spark a passion for movement and nurturing a connection to art and wellness.

Looking ahead, we are excited about the prospect of continuing this partnership with Dance Parade in the coming seasons. Their programs have made a lasting impression on our community, and we strongly advocate for continued support of this organization and its unwavering commitment to promoting the arts and wellness among older adults.

Sincerely,

Elise J. Lev, LCSW
Program Director

Commonpoint: Older Adult Center at Bay Terrace