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To Whom It May Concern:

Akemi Welsh and her Polynesian Paradise Dancers are on a mission to protect and share the culture of Hawaii! In doing so, they delight their audiences with excellent dances and showmanship presented within an informative narrative.

I first saw the dancers in action at a Western Arts Alliance conference, and I admired their grace and colorful costumes. I did not expect ARTCORE would have the funds to present them, until we were contacted to block book with Gillette, WY, when a small ensemble of the group was touring through the area.

We did not know about this performance early enough to include it in our series brochure, which always makes us nervous about getting the word out. We were happy to find that many people were anxious to see this troupe, and they were "wowed" with the great dance, the colorful costumes, and, in that case, the exciting fire dance. The group includes volunteers from the audience for some great fun trying the dances.

Once again, last month we took advantage of presenting the Polynesian Paradise Dancers en route, and though that venue would not allow the fire dance, people thoroughly enjoyed the theme of travel, beautiful slides of the islands, and the great dance. We have in the works a return visit which will include school outreach, so that students and teachers also might learn from and enjoy this wonderful company!

I hope you will strongly consider supporting or booking this quality troupe!

Wishing you joy,

Carolyn Deuel Executive Director