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DANCE FOR HUNGER Competition to benefit HUNGER FIGHT

Jacksonville, FL — HUNGER FIGHT, Inc. announced today that Bollywood Dance Mania, a Jacksonville based Indian dance school, is hosting an online dance competition to raise money to feed children in our community. They came up with the idea as a way to engage dancers from around the world to help feed children while still complying with social distancing requirements. The competition will run from April 1 until April 15.

“All of us need to do our part in helping the community in these trying times,” said Anu Shah, Owner and Artistic Director of Bollywood Dance Mania. “So while we are all maintaining social distance, it’s very important to stay positive and keep dancing! Bollywood Dance Mania, with the help of Kindness in a Diverse Society, an organization run by a group of middle and high schoolers, decided to host an online dance competition to do our small part. Our hope is that this not only helps to raise money to feed hungry children, but keeps our community moving and promotes mental health.”

Submissions will be judged by celebrity judges including Indian actor Nithiin Reddy and actress, dancer and You Tube phenomenon, Manpreet Toor. Ms. Toor hosted a pre-competition, free Bollywood dance workshop to promote the event and raised over $3200 in donations for Hunger Fight. The competition is open to all ages and levels of experience. Registration fees will be donated to Hunger Fight to feed children who previously were fed at school but, with the closing of schools, are now at risk for hunger. To view the submission rules and to register, please visit https://www.eventbrite.com/e/d4h-dance-for-hunger-tickets-101010168132 or their Facebook page at www.facebook.com/BDMJAX.

“This competition is one of the most unique and creative fundraising events we’ve seen,” said Sherri Porter, Founder and Executive Director of Hunger Fight. “We are truly honored to be named the beneficiary. So many children are at risk for hunger in our communities during the Coronavirus Pandemic and funds raised will be used to produce and distribute meals to those in need. We are very grateful to Bollywood Dance Mania for hosting this event.”

About HUNGER FIGHT
HUNGER FIGHT is a Florida not–for-profit organization established in 2012. Its mission is to end hunger and illiteracy through the provision of nutritious meals and books to children, seniors and families by informing, engaging and mobilizing communities and partners. For more information about HUNGER FIGHT, visit www.HungerFight.org.

About BOLLYWOOD DANCE MANIA
Bollywood Dance Mania (BDM), an Indian Dance school, was established in 2006 in Rochester, NY. Its mission is to promote diversity and bring alive the Indian culture through dance. BDM started in Jacksonville, FL in 2013 with the same intent and passion. BDM has a competitive team and a recreational team. The annual recital supports charities from all over the world. To learn more, please visit Bollywood Dance Mania’s Facebook page at www.facebook.com/BDMJAX.

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