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Mr. Philip LaBerge  
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Dear Mr. LaBerge,

On behalf of the Consulate General of Canada in Dallas, Texas, we are honoured to recognize your service, with the support of the City of Coppell, Texas, to publicly commemorate the history and linkages between Coppell, Texas, and Coppell, Ontario. The official proclamation honouring the ties between these two communities helps forge new friendships and celebrates the historical connections outlined in your research, "A Tale of Two Cities Named Coppell."

We enjoyed learning about George Coppell and his descendants, who played a role in founding both municipalities. The parallel development of Coppell, Texas, and Coppell, Ontario, as a small collection of farms along new railroad lines, demonstrates how both communities played an essential role in the westward expansion of our two nations. The modern integrated supply chains between the U.S. and Canada were built upon such communities.

By the time you are sharing this letter with your new friends in Coppell, Ontario, you will have traveled 1,330 miles, traversing the U.S. and central Canada. We hope that you will have seen the best of both nations on this journey. We look forward to hearing updates from your trip and learning about the connections made.

Please pass our good wishes to our fellow Canadians in Coppell, Ontario, and note that we would love to meet them in Coppell, Texas in the future.

Thank you for your contribution to developing the relationship between our two countries.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Susan E. Harper'.

Susan E. Harper  
Consul General of Canada

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