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Dear Colette Pépin,

On behalf of the Government of Canada, I extend warmest greetings to everyone at the Centre for Canadian Language Benchmarks (CCLB). I am very pleased to congratulate you on your 25th anniversary this year. This is a milestone achievement that is a testament to your hard work and dedication in promoting the national standards of English and French in Canada.

For a quarter century now, CCLB has made significant contributions to the immigrant-serving community in Canada by providing standards to describe, measure and recognize adult immigrants' English and French language skills.

Language proficiency is fundamental for newcomers to successfully settle in a new country, find a place to live and get a job. I am sincerely grateful for the important work you do to help newcomers integrate into their new communities, join the Canadian workforce and strengthen our country's economy.

Congratulations to you and the members of your organization on 25 years of excellence. May the next 25 years be as productive and engaging, as you continue to develop and innovate resources and training for ESL and FSL communities across Canada.

Your sincerely,

Sean Fraser, P.C., M.P.

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