atlantis was the fourth space shuttle

this view from atop the Vehicle Assembly Building where space shuttle Atlantis just exited

where there will be a signing ceremony at about 10 a.m.

we see Atlantis making its way up this procession will lead shuttle Atlantis across State Road 405 to the viewing site where Atlantis will stop

the color guard is being followed by the Titusville high school marching band

you

I don't preside over an agency that's in
the history business that's not what

NASA does we're not a history organization we're in the business of

creating the future and we're in the business of taking science fiction and turning it into science fact and I think most of you here realize it that's what we do we take things that people say are impossible and we make them possible

this magnificent ship behind me is tangible representation of a great nation our hopes and dreams we couldn't be where we are poised for tomorrow's progress without the space shuttle and
their more exciting things happening

right now here at KSC as well as around the agency a little over a year after the shuttle retired just this week we completed the first commercial resupply mission to the International Space Station little company called SpaceX launched dragon from right over there at Cape Canaveral it's the first of many such launches and we're well on track to once again launch American astronauts from US soil in the next few years

I want to thank all the crews here today who flew Atlantis in space I want to
thank the work force that sent her

successfully to orbit again and again

and also want to thank the American public at large for making this a this

incredible dream and achievement

possible that we all share today our

best days are ahead of us with the

shuttle as our tailwind Godspeed

Atlantis on your next mission of

inspiration and motivation

although it's the end of Atlantis flying

in space it's not the end it's not the

end for KSC we're charging into the

future preparing for commercial

operations to low-earth orbit for
exploration once again beyond our home planet continuing to meet NASA's science missions with our expandable rockets to get our science missions to Mars and further from me to all of you my heartfelt thanks for your dedication your dry your hard work your spirit of discovery that has made all of this possible and continues to make KSC and NASA the great place that it is to work as we charge off into the future thank you and the Rockets red glare the bombs bursting in air gave proof through the
night that our flag was still there oh

say does that star-spangled banner yet

wave

or the land of the free and the home of

the

Thank You colonel

thanks Cheryl

thanks tall are you things this team has

accomplished in the last 30 years and

it's gonna continue and Chris is always

so eloquent when he talks bob is always

and I'm not calling names but I was

looking for my crew members who were

with me on Atlantis and there's somebody
back there and all that but it's great

to be here now Dave and I were we were

among the crew and the backups who had

the privilege of celebrating the

anniversary of the 20th anniversary