as we all go our separate ways this Memorial Day weekend I urge everyone to remember the heroic sacrifice of the men and women who died in defense of our country while serving in the United States military it is the dedication and commitment of these men and women those who were willing to make the ultimate sacrifice for the principles of our nation that have made the United States the greatest country on Earth as a Navy pilot who flew combat in Iraq and Afghanistan I have witnessed the tremendous sacrifice brave Americans
have made on behalf of our country. I’ll never forget those with whom I served who did not make it home nor the brave men and women on whose legacy we all stand today including those who lost their lives in service to their country.

on NASA missions it is critical for us to pause on the somber weekend to honor the men and women who have paid the ultimate price so that we may enjoy the freedoms we all hold so dear.