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00:00:01,280 --> 00:00:03,640
Greetings...Pete Worden here.

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Baseball legend Babe Ruth once said: "The way a team plays

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as a whole determines its success."

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"You may have the greatest bunch of individual stars in the

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world, but if they don't play together, the club won't be

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worth a dime."

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00:00:16,110 --> 00:00:19,030
The successful launch of NASA's Lunar Atmosphere and Dust

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00:00:19,050 --> 00:00:21,670
Environment Explorer observatory...affectionately known as

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00:00:21,690 --> 00:00:25,890
LADEE...on Friday, September 6 was a picture perfect example

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00:00:25,910 --> 00:00:28,460
of NASA teamwork at its finest.

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00:00:28,480 --> 00:00:31,930
The ability for so many to see LADEE's spectacular launch

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00:00:31,950 --> 00:00:36,080
made this not just NASA's mission, but America's mission.

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00:00:36,100 --> 00:00:39,630

On behalf of all of us here at Ames Research Center, it is

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00:00:39,650 --> 00:00:43,290
my pleasure and honor to sincerely thank everyone involved

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00:00:43,310 --> 00:00:46,830
in LADEE's launch for your professionalism, can-do attitude

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00:00:46,850 --> 00:00:48,830
and outstanding support.

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00:00:48,850 --> 00:00:51,180
Your efforts will lead to helping us understand better our

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00:00:51,200 --> 00:00:53,970
nearest neighbor in space...the moon.

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00:00:53,990 --> 00:00:56,840
Although Ames staff here in Silicon Valley designed,

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00:00:56,860 --> 00:00:59,570
developed and built LADEE and are responsible for mission

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00:00:59,590 --> 00:01:03,470
operations on behalf of the Science Mission Directorate,

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00:01:03,490 --> 00:01:06,370
Friday's achievement would not have been possible without:

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00:01:06,390 --> 00:01:09,270
- The folks at NASA Headquarters, including John Grunsfeld

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00:01:09,290 --> 00:01:13,020
and everyone in SMD including Jim Green, director of the

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00:01:13,040 --> 00:01:17,030
Planetary Division; Joan Salute, LADEE program executive,

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00:01:17,050 --> 00:01:19,870
and LADEE Program Scientist Sarah Noble;

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00:01:19,890 --> 00:01:22,540
- The Mid-Atlantic Regional Spaceport on Wallops Island

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00:01:22,560 --> 00:01:25,080
which sent this important mission to space.

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00:01:25,100 --> 00:01:28,220
- Wallops Flight Facility was responsible for launch vehicle

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00:01:28,240 --> 00:01:31,980
integration, launch services, and launch range operations;

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00:01:32,000 --> 00:01:34,970
- Orbital Sciences was responsible for the Minotaur-Five

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00:01:34,990 --> 00:01:37,570
rocket that carried LADEE into space;

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00:01:37,590 --> 00:01:39,940
- The Lunar Quest Program, managed at Marshall

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00:01:39,960 --> 00:01:41,430
Space Flight Center;

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00:01:41,450 --> 00:01:42,890
- And particularly, our friends at Goddard

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00:01:42,910 --> 00:01:44,390
Space Flight Center.

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00:01:44,410 --> 00:01:47,140
Goddard is responsible for managing the science instruments

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and technology demonstration payload,

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00:01:49,250 --> 00:01:51,840
and the science operations center.

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00:01:51,860 --> 00:01:54,640
- And NASA's outstanding communications and public outreach

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00:01:54,660 --> 00:01:58,260
teams, who so skillfully and creatively tell our story and

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00:01:58,280 --> 00:02:01,260
enables the agency to touch millions worldwide.

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- Finally, I would like to thank the people at virtually

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every NASA Center who played critical roles

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in the LADEE mission.

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All involved were critical to the success of all LADEE

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activities and are shining examples of why coming through

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the gates at Ames every day makes me so proud to be here and

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00:02:16,660 --> 00:02:18,240
part of the NASA family.

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00:02:18,260 --> 00:02:20,190
Thanks for a job really well done.