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00:00:01,590 --> 00:00:05,350  
>> Okay, if you guys are ready  
it's our pleasure to hand

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00:00:05,350 --> 00:00:07,950  
over to Captain Cernan.

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00:00:11,330 --> 00:00:13,530  
>> Captain Gene Cernan: Hey  
guys, I guess there's no gals

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00:00:13,530 --> 00:00:16,810  
up there, but this is  
Gene Cernan and I --

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00:00:16,810 --> 00:00:18,860  
I'm envious, I wish I  
could be up there with.

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00:00:18,860 --> 00:00:23,740  
You're doing one heck of a great  
job, and you got a big legacy

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00:00:23,740 --> 00:00:26,640  
to build upon and from where  
you leave off we're going

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00:00:26,640 --> 00:00:29,720  
to get those kids down here  
excited about pressing on

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00:00:29,720 --> 00:00:31,370  
and going even further.

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00:00:31,370 --> 00:00:33,440  
I didn't know I was going  
to be able to do this,

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00:00:33,440 --> 00:00:36,660

but congratulations  
and I'll tell you what,

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00:00:36,660 --> 00:00:38,350

I'm personally proud.

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00:00:38,350 --> 00:00:40,980

I'm at the age now where I  
think most of you were probably

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00:00:40,980 --> 00:00:44,190

in diapers or knee pants  
when I went to the moon,

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00:00:44,190 --> 00:00:47,450

but at least what we did  
worked because it inspired you

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00:00:47,450 --> 00:00:48,170

to do what you're doing.

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00:00:48,170 --> 00:00:49,670

I got a couple guests here;

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00:00:49,670 --> 00:00:52,670

can they just say  
one word like hello?

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00:00:54,890 --> 00:00:56,010

>> Commander Kevin Ford:

They absolutely can.

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00:00:56,010 --> 00:00:56,890

Great to see you all.

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00:00:56,890 --> 00:01:03,300

>> Hi guys, it's a pleasure  
to be here and to see you.

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00:01:03,300 --> 00:01:04,040

>> Chuck Briese:

Hello, this is...

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00:01:04,040 --> 00:01:05,500

>> Commander Kevin Ford:

Nice to hear your voice.

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00:01:05,500 --> 00:01:06,600

>> Chuck Briese: Chuck

Briese saying hello

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00:01:06,600 --> 00:01:08,160

to the space station.

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00:01:08,160 --> 00:01:09,790

Thanks for all you do.

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00:01:09,790 --> 00:01:12,300

Captain Cernan's been

singing your praises all day

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00:01:12,300 --> 00:01:13,740

and we really appreciate it all.

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00:01:17,010 --> 00:01:16,390

Thank you.

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00:01:17,010 --> 00:01:19,070

>> Commander Kevin

Ford: Hey, thank you.

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00:01:19,070 --> 00:01:20,240

Great to hear your voice.

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00:01:20,240 --> 00:01:21,070

Go ahead.

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00:01:21,070 --> 00:01:23,170

>> David Cisco: Hi guys,  
this is David Cisco I'm

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00:01:23,170 --> 00:01:26,570  
with Space Center Houston and  
we spend a lot of time talking

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00:01:26,570 --> 00:01:29,570  
about what you guys do up there,  
and we're real proud of you.

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00:01:29,570 --> 00:01:31,480  
Congratulations.

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00:01:33,770 --> 00:01:35,010  
>> Commander Kevin Ford:  
We're regular visitors

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00:01:35,010 --> 00:01:37,540  
to Space Center Houston.

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00:01:37,540 --> 00:01:38,230  
>> Captain Gene Cernan:  
Hey I got to --

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00:01:38,230 --> 00:01:39,490  
this is Gene Cernan again.

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00:01:39,490 --> 00:01:41,690  
You guys don't -- you're living  
in a hotel, you're living

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00:01:41,690 --> 00:01:43,180  
in a palatial palace up there.

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00:01:43,180 --> 00:01:45,880  
I got to go back to the  
Gemini days when you had

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00:01:45,880 --> 00:01:48,030  
to share elbow room with  
your buddy and you never got

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00:01:48,030 --> 00:01:50,580  
out of your space  
suit for three days.

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00:01:50,580 --> 00:01:54,590  
I can go on and on but, you  
know, we talked about living

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00:01:54,590 --> 00:01:55,970  
up there like we live down here.

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00:01:55,970 --> 00:01:59,830  
We didn't even have hot water on  
the moon for that cup of coffee.

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00:01:59,830 --> 00:02:02,340  
But I'll tell you what,  
you deserve it all,

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00:02:02,340 --> 00:02:05,430  
and it tells us how  
far we've come and

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00:02:05,430 --> 00:02:06,940  
yet how far we've got to go.

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00:02:06,940 --> 00:02:10,740  
God bless you guys, you're  
in our prayers and thoughts.

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00:02:13,100 --> 00:02:14,090  
>> Commander Kevin Ford:  
Thank you very much sir,

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00:02:14,090 --> 00:02:15,800  
it's great to see you on board.

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00:02:15,800 --> 00:02:17,300

I don't know -- can  
you guys all hear me?

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00:02:17,300 --> 00:02:20,960

Shake your head if you can.

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00:02:20,960 --> 00:02:22,280

Oh, okay awesome.

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00:02:22,280 --> 00:02:24,280

Yeah well, there's  
still a lack of gals

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00:02:24,280 --> 00:02:25,510

on board just like you said.

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00:02:25,510 --> 00:02:28,130

Hopefully that will  
change one in the future.

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00:02:28,130 --> 00:02:31,610

My first commander was Sonny  
Williams, so women are moving

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00:02:31,610 --> 00:02:33,860

out here to the space  
field and you're right;

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00:02:33,860 --> 00:02:36,630

the space station is  
a palace actually.

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00:02:36,630 --> 00:02:38,940

We did fly up here in a  
[inaudible], and I bet you inch

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00:02:38,940 --> 00:02:42,720

for inch elbow room it's pretty tight too, but we didn't have

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00:02:42,720 --> 00:02:44,420  
to spend a lot of time in it

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00:02:44,420 --> 00:02:46,640  
and we only have four hours home from here.

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00:02:46,640 --> 00:02:51,590  
It is a pleasure to fly up and down to the space station.

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00:02:51,590 --> 00:02:54,650  
I've been up here a little over 100 days now and Tom

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00:02:54,650 --> 00:02:57,200  
and Chris have been up here about 45 or so,

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00:02:57,200 --> 00:02:59,970  
somewhere in that neighborhood and living

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00:02:59,970 --> 00:03:02,280  
in space is something we can do now

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00:03:02,280 --> 00:03:04,720  
because of what you guys did those years ago.

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00:03:04,720 --> 00:03:07,750  
I think I was 12 when you came home from the moon the last time

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00:03:07,750 --> 00:03:09,650  
and these guys were

probably 12 or 13,

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00:03:09,650 --> 00:03:13,190  
we're all about the same age  
and you did inspire us for sure.

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00:03:13,190 --> 00:03:15,830  
Just like, just like  
the whole world frankly.

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00:03:15,830 --> 00:03:18,330  
Every place I go in the  
world they know NASA

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00:03:18,330 --> 00:03:21,970  
because of what you guys  
did back then that long ago.

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00:03:21,970 --> 00:03:24,240  
But we do have a lot of good  
people there now carrying

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00:03:24,240 --> 00:03:26,090  
on the traditions  
and what we're doing

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00:03:26,090 --> 00:03:27,890  
up here is fantastic,  
it really is.

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00:03:27,890 --> 00:03:31,410  
I was impressed before I came

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00:03:31,410 --> 00:03:33,170  
and I'm even more  
impressed after being here.

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00:03:33,170 --> 00:03:35,900  
So, the ground teams are  
great, the nation is great

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00:03:35,900 --> 00:03:38,360

and it is going to  
make a huge difference

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00:03:38,360 --> 00:03:41,410

to generations 100 years from  
now, that are going to benefit

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00:03:41,410 --> 00:03:43,190

from what we're going up  
here and of course benefit

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00:03:43,190 --> 00:03:45,610

from what you did  
those years ago too.

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00:03:45,610 --> 00:03:49,180

So, yours is a remarkable story,  
we can't compete with that.

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00:03:49,180 --> 00:03:51,450

Great to have you in the  
center, and truly have you

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00:03:51,450 --> 00:03:52,910

on board the International  
Space Station too.

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00:03:52,910 --> 00:03:53,230

>> Captain Gene Cernan:  
Thank you.

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00:03:53,230 --> 00:03:56,000

One last thought; we always  
used to look at it as we stood

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00:03:56,000 --> 00:03:58,860

on the shoulders of  
the giants of a nation.

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00:03:58,860 --> 00:04:01,380

Remember you guys, when you  
get back the jobs not done.

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00:04:01,380 --> 00:04:04,120

You are now the shoulders  
for those kids to stand upon.