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00:00:07,990 --> 00:00:06,150  
construction began on the new home of

2  
00:00:09,750 --> 00:00:08,000  
space shuttle atlantis this week at the

3  
00:00:11,350 --> 00:00:09,760  
kennedy space center visitor complex in

4  
00:00:13,190 --> 00:00:11,360  
florida

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00:00:15,509 --> 00:00:13,200  
the exhibit hall that will house the

6  
00:00:17,349 --> 00:00:15,519  
historic spacecraft will be built only a

7  
00:00:19,429 --> 00:00:17,359  
few miles from the launch site of all

8  
00:00:20,710 --> 00:00:19,439  
the space shuttle missions

9  
00:00:24,390 --> 00:00:20,720  
speaking during the groundbreaking

10  
00:00:26,150 --> 00:00:24,400  
ceremony on wednesday january 18 2012

11  
00:00:27,830 --> 00:00:26,160  
astronaut chris ferguson described

12  
00:00:30,070 --> 00:00:27,840  
making the last flight of atlantis in

13  
00:00:31,669 --> 00:00:30,080

the summer of 2011.

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00:00:33,670 --> 00:00:31,679

he then laid out the spacecraft's new

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00:00:35,190 --> 00:00:33,680

goals of inspiration

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00:00:37,590 --> 00:00:35,200

i told them that you know atlantis

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00:00:40,709 --> 00:00:37,600

mission in space is over but it's its

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00:00:42,389 --> 00:00:40,719

mission to inspire uh generations of

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00:00:44,470 --> 00:00:42,399

potential space travelers is just

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00:00:46,389 --> 00:00:44,480

beginning

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00:00:48,229 --> 00:00:46,399

the museum structure is being built

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00:00:50,389 --> 00:00:48,239

while the spacecraft itself continues

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00:00:52,549 --> 00:00:50,399

its methodical transition and retirement

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00:00:54,389 --> 00:00:52,559

processing in a hangar at nasa's kennedy

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00:00:56,229 --> 00:00:54,399

space center

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00:00:58,389 --> 00:00:56,239  
delaware north which runs the kennedy

27  
00:01:01,189 --> 00:00:58,399  
space center visitor complex for nasa

28  
00:01:03,110 --> 00:01:01,199  
plans a unique display for atlantis

29  
00:01:05,189 --> 00:01:03,120  
the shuttle will stand above the floor

30  
00:01:07,510 --> 00:01:05,199  
with its landing gear retracted its

31  
00:01:09,670 --> 00:01:07,520  
payload bay doors open and the robotic

32  
00:01:11,990 --> 00:01:09,680  
arm extended in the same way it did when

33  
00:01:13,510 --> 00:01:12,000  
the shuttle flew in space

34  
00:01:15,510 --> 00:01:13,520  
more than a million visitors are

35  
00:01:17,270 --> 00:01:15,520  
expected to see atlantis each year as it

36  
00:01:19,350 --> 00:01:17,280  
stands on display

37  
00:01:21,990 --> 00:01:19,360  
i appreciate nasa as i mentioned before

38  
00:01:24,630 --> 00:01:22,000

for proving florida to be the final home

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00:01:27,270 --> 00:01:24,640

for the shuttle atlantis atlantis had a

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00:01:29,990 --> 00:01:27,280

successful final launch mission and

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00:01:33,270 --> 00:01:30,000

return right here in our backyard the

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00:01:35,270 --> 00:01:33,280

structure is expected to open in 2013.

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00:01:36,950 --> 00:01:35,280

it will include detailed presentations

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00:01:39,030 --> 00:01:36,960

about what was learned during the 30

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00:01:40,950 --> 00:01:39,040

years of space shuttle flights as well

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00:01:43,030 --> 00:01:40,960

as show what life is like on board the

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00:01:45,190 --> 00:01:43,040

international space station the orbiting

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00:01:46,870 --> 00:01:45,200

laboratory more than 200 miles above