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00:00:00,000 --> 00:00:11,720
ah

2
00:00:11,730 --> 00:00:21,990
Oh

3
00:00:29,320 --> 00:00:25,120
well it is good to see you

4
00:00:32,220 --> 00:00:29,330
all of it good evening I want to welcome

5
00:00:34,720 --> 00:00:32,230
all the students and teachers and

6
00:00:37,990 --> 00:00:34,730
amateur astronomers to the White House

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00:00:39,910 --> 00:00:38,000
tonight I won't speak long because we've

8
00:00:42,430 --> 00:00:39,920
got a bunch of telescopes and great

9
00:00:43,900 --> 00:00:42,440
exhibits to get our hands on but before

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00:00:47,830 --> 00:00:43,910
I begin let me first acknowledge a few

11
00:00:51,759 --> 00:00:47,840
other stars who are out tonight first of

12
00:00:54,370 --> 00:00:51,769
all John Holdren my science advisor an

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00:00:56,770 --> 00:00:54,380

actual physicist is here and eager to

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00:00:59,860 --> 00:00:56,780

look through one of these telescopes our

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00:01:01,450 --> 00:00:59,870

NASA Administrator Charles Bolden who

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00:01:04,719 --> 00:01:01,460

spent some time orbiting the Earth

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00:01:06,999 --> 00:01:04,729

himself and his deputy Lori Garver are

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00:01:08,350 --> 00:01:07,009

here where's Charles and Lori they're in

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00:01:14,410 --> 00:01:08,360

the back there give them a round of

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00:01:17,859 --> 00:01:14,420

applause we've got some specialists from

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00:01:19,870 --> 00:01:17,869

NASA the Smithsonian and the American

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00:01:23,109 --> 00:01:19,880

Museum of Natural History in New York

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00:01:25,180 --> 00:01:23,119

here with us as well and we've got some

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00:01:27,130 --> 00:01:25,190

of the heroes who have flown closer to

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00:01:29,440 --> 00:01:27,140

the stars than anybody else Buzz Aldrin

26
00:01:38,520 --> 00:01:29,450
a man who actually walked on the moon

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00:01:41,320 --> 00:01:38,530
where's Buzz right there Sally Ride

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00:01:47,800 --> 00:01:41,330
Sally Ride the first American woman in

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00:01:56,560 --> 00:01:51,590
may Jameson the first african-american

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00:02:03,289 --> 00:02:01,310
and John John Grunsfeld is here the man

31
00:02:06,010 --> 00:02:03,299
they called the Hubble repair man not to

32
00:02:08,749 --> 00:02:06,020
be a segment with the Maytag repairman

33
00:02:10,460 --> 00:02:08,759
for all the upgrades that he's made up

34
00:02:12,650 --> 00:02:10,470
there to the telescope that allows us to

35
00:02:17,949 --> 00:02:12,660
see farther than anyone ever imagined so

36
00:02:20,330 --> 00:02:17,959
get John a figure out on the fly Wow

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00:02:24,430 --> 00:02:20,340
NASA's equipment is some pretty powerful

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00:02:27,350 --> 00:02:24,440

stuff but astronomy also depends on the

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00:02:29,660 --> 00:02:27,360

curiosity and the contributions of

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00:02:32,479 --> 00:02:29,670

amateur astronomers and there are two

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00:02:36,110 --> 00:02:32,489

students here tonight who've made some

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00:02:39,559 --> 00:02:36,120

pretty amazing discoveries of their own

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00:02:45,140 --> 00:02:39,569

first of all Caroline Moore and her dad

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00:02:48,620 --> 00:02:45,150

Robert Fraser Ian where's dad there's

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00:02:49,339 --> 00:02:48,630

Robert they look at the stars together

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00:02:52,280 --> 00:02:49,349

in New York

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00:02:55,849 --> 00:02:52,290

and last year think about this when she

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00:02:58,420 --> 00:02:55,859

was only 14 years old she became the

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00:03:02,240 --> 00:02:58,430

youngest person ever to discover a

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00:03:04,759 --> 00:03:02,250

supernova and not just any supernova but

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00:03:05,150 --> 00:03:04,769
a kind that we may have never seen

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00:03:10,580 --> 00:03:05,160
before

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00:03:11,750 --> 00:03:10,590
and earlier this year Lucas Bowyer Lucas

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00:03:13,520 --> 00:03:11,760
raise your hand where are your folks

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00:03:14,780 --> 00:03:13,530
Lucas but wherever's looks as folks

56
00:03:18,949 --> 00:03:14,790
raise your hands I know you guys are

57
00:03:21,229 --> 00:03:18,959
proud a high school sophomore from West

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00:03:23,449 --> 00:03:21,239
Virginia discovered some unusual data

59
00:03:26,270 --> 00:03:23,459
that turned out to be an extremely rare

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00:03:29,270 --> 00:03:26,280
kind of star called a pulsar and Lucas

61
00:03:31,699 --> 00:03:29,280
was explaining to me just what a pulsar

62
00:03:37,099 --> 00:03:31,709
was so that I wasn't embarrassed when I

63
00:03:41,360 --> 00:03:37,109

came out here now if they can discover

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00:03:43,879 --> 00:03:41,370

something great so can any of you other

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00:03:46,539 --> 00:03:43,889

students who are here tonight all you

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00:03:49,490 --> 00:03:46,549

need is a passion for science

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00:03:51,500 --> 00:03:49,500

from the moment humans first walked on

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00:03:55,009 --> 00:03:51,510

this earth we've been endlessly

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00:03:56,420 --> 00:03:55,019

fascinated by the stars as long as we've

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00:03:58,250 --> 00:03:56,430

been around we've been trying to unlock

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00:03:58,890 --> 00:03:58,260

the mysteries of the universe and figure

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00:04:00,899 --> 00:03:58,900

out

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00:04:04,289 --> 00:04:00,909

our proper place in the cosmos and

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00:04:07,170 --> 00:04:04,299

somehow make sense of it all it was 400

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00:04:08,970 --> 00:04:07,180

years ago this year that Galileo built

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00:04:11,940 --> 00:04:08,980

his first telescope

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00:04:14,369 --> 00:04:11,950

it was just three times more powerful

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00:04:16,379 --> 00:04:14,379

than the naked eye but he kept on

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00:04:20,039 --> 00:04:16,389

working on it and improving on it until

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00:04:21,779 --> 00:04:20,049

he built 133 times as powerful and then

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00:04:23,370 --> 00:04:21,789

he turned it towards the sky and he

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00:04:26,370 --> 00:04:23,380

discovered that our moon wasn't smooth

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00:04:29,460 --> 00:04:26,380

that Venus had phases that Jupiter had

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00:04:32,460 --> 00:04:29,470

moons and that Copernicus was right that

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00:04:34,710 --> 00:04:32,470

we do revolve around the Sun and we've

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00:04:37,409 --> 00:04:34,720

come a long way since then while

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00:04:40,290 --> 00:04:37,419

Galileo's first telescope had lenses an

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00:04:42,090 --> 00:04:40,300

inch wide the Hubble Space Telescope has

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00:04:45,480 --> 00:04:42,100

mirrors about seven and a half feet wide

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00:04:47,939 --> 00:04:45,490

a few years ago the Hubble showed us the

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00:04:50,629 --> 00:04:47,949

deepest image of the universe ever taken

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00:04:53,370 --> 00:04:50,639

and in that image we can see about

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00:04:56,310 --> 00:04:53,380

10,000 galaxies and each of those

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00:04:58,939 --> 00:04:56,320

galaxies can hold billions of stars now

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00:05:03,540 --> 00:04:58,949

that's a lot but get this it would take

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00:05:08,219 --> 00:05:03,550

13 million of those images to map the

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00:05:10,439 --> 00:05:08,229

entire sky that's how immense it is so

98

00:05:12,360 --> 00:05:10,449

there are a lot of mysteries left and

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00:05:15,060 --> 00:05:12,370

there are a lot of problems for you

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00:05:16,710 --> 00:05:15,070

students to solve and I want to be a

101
00:05:18,750 --> 00:05:16,720
president who makes sure you have the

102
00:05:20,730 --> 00:05:18,760
teachers and the tools that you need to

103
00:05:22,710 --> 00:05:20,740
solve them and that's why we're working

104
00:05:24,899 --> 00:05:22,720
to reinvigorate math and science and

105
00:05:26,939 --> 00:05:24,909
your schools and attract new and

106
00:05:30,089 --> 00:05:26,949
qualified math and science teachers into

107
00:05:32,460 --> 00:05:30,099
your classrooms some with lifetime's of

108
00:05:35,100 --> 00:05:32,470
experience that's why we've launched a

109
00:05:36,839 --> 00:05:35,110
race to the top to raise standards and

110
00:05:38,070 --> 00:05:36,849
upgrade your curricula and improve

111
00:05:40,020 --> 00:05:38,080
teaching and learning in math and

112
00:05:41,879 --> 00:05:40,030
science that's why we're making a

113
00:05:43,950 --> 00:05:41,889

college education more affordable so

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00:05:46,469 --> 00:05:43,960

that by the time many of you graduate in

115

00:05:48,029 --> 00:05:46,479

2020 America will once again have the

116

00:05:50,790 --> 00:05:48,039

highest proportion of college graduates

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00:05:52,589 --> 00:05:50,800

in the world and that's how we'll move

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00:05:54,719 --> 00:05:52,599

American students to the top of the pack

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00:05:56,939 --> 00:05:54,729

in math and in science over the next

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00:05:59,610 --> 00:05:56,949

decade and guarantee that America will

121

00:06:03,480 --> 00:05:59,620

lead the world in discovery in this new

122

00:06:06,149 --> 00:06:03,490

century but that's going to take more

123

00:06:07,950 --> 00:06:06,159

than just what I as president or anybody

124

00:06:09,990 --> 00:06:07,960

in government can do it's going to take

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00:06:11,119 --> 00:06:10,000

each and every one of you students it'll

126
00:06:13,609 --> 00:06:11,129
take

127
00:06:15,829 --> 00:06:13,619
your sense of wonder your passion your

128
00:06:17,409 --> 00:06:15,839
persistence your willingness to dedicate

129
00:06:19,689 --> 00:06:17,419
your lives to the pursuit of discovery

130
00:06:22,999 --> 00:06:19,699
and it's gonna take some hard work

131
00:06:25,129 --> 00:06:23,009
Caroline and Lucas didn't just get lucky

132
00:06:26,139 --> 00:06:25,139
they poured over data before they knew

133
00:06:29,359 --> 00:06:26,149
what they had found

134
00:06:32,209 --> 00:06:29,369
Galileo worked for years to prove his

135
00:06:35,269 --> 00:06:32,219
theories the Hubble's journey from paper

136
00:06:38,959 --> 00:06:35,279
to space took decades because that's how

137
00:06:41,449 --> 00:06:38,969
success is one might test by test and

138
00:06:43,279 --> 00:06:41,459

trial by trial now this morning I

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00:06:44,809 --> 00:06:43,289

awarded the National medals of science

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00:06:46,699 --> 00:06:44,819

and technology to individuals who've

141

00:06:48,579 --> 00:06:46,709

made extraordinary contributions to the

142

00:06:51,459 --> 00:06:48,589

advancement of human knowledge and

143

00:06:54,199 --> 00:06:51,469

here's my question which one of you are

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00:06:59,600 --> 00:06:54,209

going to come back here to claim your

145

00:07:02,600 --> 00:06:59,610

prize I like that are you gonna find a

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00:07:05,149 --> 00:07:02,610

new star or a cure for a disease will

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00:07:06,949 --> 00:07:05,159

you invent the next iPhone or a brand

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00:07:09,679 --> 00:07:06,959

new industry that no one's that even

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00:07:12,679 --> 00:07:09,689

dreamed of yet what will your great

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00:07:14,600 --> 00:07:12,689

discovery be now Galileo changed the

151
00:07:17,600 --> 00:07:14,610
world when he pointed his telescope to

152
00:07:20,659 --> 00:07:17,610
the sky and now it's your turn we need

153
00:07:22,939 --> 00:07:20,669
you to study do well in school explore

154
00:07:25,759 --> 00:07:22,949
everything from the infinite reaches of

155
00:07:28,159 --> 00:07:25,769
space to the microscopic spaulos of the

156
00:07:30,739 --> 00:07:28,169
atom we need you to think bigger and to

157
00:07:33,259 --> 00:07:30,749
dig deeper and to reach higher and we

158
00:07:35,719 --> 00:07:33,269
need your Restless curiosity and your

159
00:07:38,209 --> 00:07:35,729
boundless hope and imagination our

160
00:07:40,489 --> 00:07:38,219
future depends on it so don't let

161
00:07:42,559 --> 00:07:40,499
anybody tell you that there isn't more

162
00:07:43,730 --> 00:07:42,569
to discover don't let anybody tell you

163
00:07:45,889 --> 00:07:43,740

that there's knowledge that's beyond

164

00:07:47,779 --> 00:07:45,899

your reach there's something out there

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00:07:50,059 --> 00:07:47,789

for each and every one of you for to

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00:07:51,290 --> 00:07:50,069

discover and seeing how it's a beautiful

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00:07:53,359 --> 00:07:51,300

night and we've got a bunch of

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00:07:56,769 --> 00:07:53,369

telescopes out in the lawn let's get

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00:07:59,209 --> 00:07:56,779

started together and if I all right so

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00:08:01,309 --> 00:07:59,219

thank you very much everybody I'm glad

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00:08:03,619 --> 00:08:01,319

you guys are here let's go have some fun

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00:08:05,029 --> 00:08:03,629

I think I'm gonna get the first dibs and

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00:08:06,889 --> 00:08:05,039

looking through one of these telescopes

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00:08:08,480 --> 00:08:06,899

is that right all right now why don't

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00:08:10,639 --> 00:08:08,490

you explain to us what exactly this

176
00:08:13,009 --> 00:08:10,649
telescope is here where we go well the

177
00:08:15,199 --> 00:08:13,019
first thing talking the mic I'm sorry

178
00:08:17,269 --> 00:08:15,209
the first thing to notice is that there

179
00:08:20,059 --> 00:08:17,279
are two eyepieces you could look through

180
00:08:23,519 --> 00:08:20,069
the one that is aligned with the barrel

181
00:08:25,019 --> 00:08:23,529
of the telescope is just the

182
00:08:27,179 --> 00:08:25,029
aimer that points it in the right

183
00:08:29,069 --> 00:08:27,189
direction the eyepiece you want to look

184
00:08:31,439 --> 00:08:29,079
in mr. president is the angled one at

185
00:08:33,329 --> 00:08:31,449
the bottom and if you look in there

186
00:08:36,420 --> 00:08:33,339
that's the one if you look in there you

187
00:08:39,119 --> 00:08:36,430
will see a double double star in the

188
00:08:42,089 --> 00:08:39,129

constellation Lyra a hundred and sixty

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00:08:44,009 --> 00:08:42,099

light-years away 162 light-years but

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00:08:46,230 --> 00:08:44,019

that's far away that means it takes the

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00:08:48,600 --> 00:08:46,240

light from those stars a hundred and

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00:08:50,129 --> 00:08:48,610

sixty years to get here so what you are

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00:09:43,110 --> 00:08:50,139

seeing mr. president

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00:09:47,410 --> 00:09:46,000

outstanding well let's go take a look at