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00:00:04,999 --> 00:00:02,899
well we're going to make this very brief

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00:00:07,369 --> 00:00:05,009
because the the crews anxious to get out

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00:00:08,990 --> 00:00:07,379
of here and go meet the families and

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00:00:10,370 --> 00:00:09,000
everything but want to thank everybody

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00:00:12,799 --> 00:00:10,380
for coming out especially want to thank

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00:00:15,259 --> 00:00:12,809
Steve in the crew for an absolutely

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00:00:17,450 --> 00:00:15,269
incredible flight this is the if I if my

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00:00:20,750 --> 00:00:17,460
numbers are correct it's the 39th flight

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00:00:22,759 --> 00:00:20,760
on on discovery discovery has a very

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00:00:25,070 --> 00:00:22,769
special place for me and for Bob Cabana

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00:00:27,890 --> 00:00:25,080
over here because we both had an

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00:00:30,470 --> 00:00:27,900
opportunity to fly on it twice and so

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00:00:32,060 --> 00:00:30,480

this is very bittersweet for all of us I

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00:00:33,709 --> 00:00:32,070

want want to thank all of you for

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00:00:35,510 --> 00:00:33,719

continuing to support the space program

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00:00:36,950 --> 00:00:35,520

the way you have and I'm just going to

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00:00:42,130 --> 00:00:36,960

try it over to Steve and let Steve make

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00:00:47,090 --> 00:00:44,750

wow it's great to be back I am so

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00:00:48,500 --> 00:00:47,100

thankful that we got to land back here

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00:00:51,979 --> 00:00:48,510

at Kennedy Space Center to the home of

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00:00:54,220 --> 00:00:51,989

discovery Charlie mentioned 39 flights

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00:00:58,490 --> 00:00:54,230

we believe if we did our math right

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00:01:01,099 --> 00:00:58,500

which we may not have this is 365 days

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00:01:06,050 --> 00:01:01,109

on orbit for discovery an entire year in

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00:01:08,990 --> 00:01:06,060

space discovery launched and came back

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00:01:11,960 --> 00:01:09,000
on this flight just like my previous two

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00:01:14,870 --> 00:01:11,970
flights on discovery with absolutely no

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00:01:16,940 --> 00:01:14,880
liens against your no single system with

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00:01:19,850 --> 00:01:16,950
any problems whatsoever and if you think

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00:01:22,160 --> 00:01:19,860
about a vehicle that's 26 27 years old

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00:01:25,550 --> 00:01:22,170
been flying for that long to come back

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00:01:27,350 --> 00:01:25,560
perfect I have never seen an airplane be

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00:01:29,600 --> 00:01:27,360
able to do that but because of the

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00:01:31,760 --> 00:01:29,610
Kennedy Space Center workforce here that

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00:01:34,910 --> 00:01:31,770
takes care of this vehicle it came back

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00:01:37,880 --> 00:01:34,920
as perfect on his final flight as it did

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00:01:41,149 --> 00:01:37,890
on his first flight I'm extremely proud

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00:01:43,880 --> 00:01:41,159

of this crew here my crew did a

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00:01:46,069 --> 00:01:43,890

fantastic job the ground teams did a

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00:01:48,350 --> 00:01:46,079

fantastic job we accomplished every

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00:01:50,719 --> 00:01:48,360

objective we set out to do then and plus

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00:01:54,050 --> 00:01:50,729

a whole bunch more but it was these

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00:01:55,700 --> 00:01:54,060

folks on orbit that did it and I'm

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00:01:57,950 --> 00:01:55,710

extremely proud of them and the job that

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00:01:59,719 --> 00:01:57,960

they did as Charlie mentioned it's a

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00:02:02,929 --> 00:01:59,729

pretty bittersweet moment for all of us

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00:02:04,639 --> 00:02:02,939

it's as the minutes pass time getting

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00:02:05,959 --> 00:02:04,649

actually getting sadder and sadder about

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00:02:08,389 --> 00:02:05,969

this being the last flight and I know I

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00:02:11,059 --> 00:02:08,399

know all the folks involved in shuttle

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00:02:12,500 --> 00:02:11,069
we're going to feel the same way but to

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00:02:15,699 --> 00:02:12,510
kind of end this i would like to thank

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00:02:18,380 --> 00:02:15,709
Bob Cabana in the Kennedy Space Center

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00:02:21,710 --> 00:02:18,390
for giving us just a fantastic vehicle

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00:02:23,449 --> 00:02:21,720
to fly it was a privilege to to be able

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00:02:26,300 --> 00:02:23,459
to be in charge of her for just a couple

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00:02:28,699 --> 00:02:26,310
of weeks and I'm sad to give her back

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00:02:30,429 --> 00:02:28,709
but I could imagine giving her back into

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00:02:33,649 --> 00:02:30,439
better hands in this group right here