

**“1% OF AMERICANS MAY BE  
FIGHTING OUR WARS,  
BUT WE NEED  
100% OF AMERICANS  
TO BE SUPPORTING  
OUR TROOPS AND THEIR FAMILIES.”**

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00:00:11,830 --> 00:00:09,190  
as we observe another veterans day i ask

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00:00:13,190 --> 00:00:11,840  
the entire nasa family to join me in

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00:00:15,110 --> 00:00:13,200  
taking a moment to remember the

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00:00:17,430 --> 00:00:15,120  
contributions our men and women in the

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00:00:20,070 --> 00:00:17,440  
armed services have made to our safety

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00:00:21,990 --> 00:00:20,080  
and our way of life and the sacrifices

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00:00:23,750 --> 00:00:22,000  
they continue to make for all of us on a

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00:00:26,150 --> 00:00:23,760  
daily basis

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00:00:28,790 --> 00:00:26,160  
nasa's connection to the military dates

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00:00:30,470 --> 00:00:28,800  
to the agency's founding when so many of

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00:00:31,589 --> 00:00:30,480  
our early astronauts emerged from the

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00:00:32,630 --> 00:00:31,599  
military

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00:00:34,709 --> 00:00:32,640

today

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00:00:36,229 --> 00:00:34,719

many of our nasa colleagues are still

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00:00:37,590 --> 00:00:36,239

current or former members of the

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00:00:39,590 --> 00:00:37,600

military

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00:00:41,750 --> 00:00:39,600

some of them have lost their lives in

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00:00:43,990 --> 00:00:41,760

the cause of space exploration

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00:00:46,229 --> 00:00:44,000

and many others with nasa connections

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00:00:48,069 --> 00:00:46,239

have also lost their lives in service to

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00:00:50,869 --> 00:00:48,079

our great country

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00:00:53,350 --> 00:00:50,879

even in peace time our veterans deserve

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00:00:55,990 --> 00:00:53,360

our gratitude for their service and are

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00:00:59,029 --> 00:00:56,000

welcome when they return home

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00:01:00,790 --> 00:00:59,039

it's been my honor this year to speak to

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00:01:03,430 --> 00:01:00,800

several military groups

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00:01:06,310 --> 00:01:03,440

both those with long careers and those

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00:01:08,789 --> 00:01:06,320

just embarking on a journey of service

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00:01:11,030 --> 00:01:08,799

i'm always deeply humbled and proud of

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00:01:13,510 --> 00:01:11,040

the commitment they demonstrate

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00:01:16,390 --> 00:01:13,520

i commend first lady michelle obama and

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00:01:19,190 --> 00:01:16,400

dr jill biden for devoting their time

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00:01:22,310 --> 00:01:19,200

and energy to encourage all americans to

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00:01:23,350 --> 00:01:22,320

do more in support of the wives husbands

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00:01:25,429 --> 00:01:23,360

sons

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00:01:27,429 --> 00:01:25,439

daughters and other family members of

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00:01:30,550 --> 00:01:27,439

our men and women in uniform who are

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00:01:33,190 --> 00:01:30,560

defending our freedom around the world

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00:01:35,510 --> 00:01:33,200

their joining forces initiative launched

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00:01:38,310 --> 00:01:35,520

this spring is helping to address the

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00:01:41,109 --> 00:01:38,320

unique needs of this group and expand

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00:01:43,830 --> 00:01:41,119

their opportunities as the first lady

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00:01:46,230 --> 00:01:43,840

and dr biden say and i quote one percent

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00:01:49,510 --> 00:01:46,240

of americans may be fighting our wars

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00:01:51,270 --> 00:01:49,520

but we need 100 percent of americans to

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00:01:53,109 --> 00:01:51,280

be supporting our troops and their

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00:01:55,789 --> 00:01:53,119

families unquote

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00:01:57,749 --> 00:01:55,799

i encourage the nasa family to visit

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00:01:59,270 --> 00:01:57,759

whitehouse.gov

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00:02:02,310 --> 00:01:59,280

joining forces

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00:02:04,310 --> 00:02:02,320  
and find out more about how we can help

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00:02:07,109 --> 00:02:04,320  
the stories you will find there are

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00:02:09,190 --> 00:02:07,119  
amazing and inspiring

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00:02:10,389 --> 00:02:09,200  
so as you take this veterans day off

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00:02:12,949 --> 00:02:10,399  
from work

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00:02:15,990 --> 00:02:12,959  
join me in saluting a veteran

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00:02:18,229 --> 00:02:16,000  
tell one how grateful you are

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00:02:20,070 --> 00:02:18,239  
nasa continues to have many dedicated

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00:02:21,190 --> 00:02:20,080  
men and women on loan from the armed

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00:02:23,350 --> 00:02:21,200  
services

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00:02:25,110 --> 00:02:23,360  
and we're thankful for the military

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00:02:27,110 --> 00:02:25,120  
training they have received that has

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00:02:29,510 --> 00:02:27,120

enhanced our missions

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00:02:32,309 --> 00:02:29,520

i trust and hope that the experience

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00:02:34,630 --> 00:02:32,319

nasa has given them in turn has enriched

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00:02:36,470 --> 00:02:34,640

their service and helped them expand our

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00:02:38,790 --> 00:02:36,480

country's achievements

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00:02:41,990 --> 00:02:38,800

i offer my thanks to all of my fellow