

Headquarters  
Honor Awards  
2012

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1  
00:00:09,860 --> 00:00:06,860  
good morning welcome to the 2012

2  
00:00:11,990 --> 00:00:09,870  
headquarters honor awards program I am

3  
00:00:15,230 --> 00:00:12,000  
Carolyn Knowles and I will serve as your

4  
00:00:18,170 --> 00:00:15,240  
master of ceremony this program was

5  
00:00:20,840 --> 00:00:18,180  
created to recognize headquarters civil

6  
00:00:24,529 --> 00:00:20,850  
service employees contractor employees

7  
00:00:26,240 --> 00:00:24,539  
and teams who have made exemplary

8  
00:00:29,300 --> 00:00:26,250  
contributions to the headquarters

9  
00:00:33,380 --> 00:00:29,310  
mission or to the welfare of NASA

10  
00:00:35,799 --> 00:00:33,390  
employees as the program begins please

11  
00:00:38,959 --> 00:00:35,809  
stand for the presentation of colors

12  
00:00:41,049 --> 00:00:38,969  
followed by our national anthem which

13  
00:01:05,240 --> 00:00:41,059

will be led by Courtney Williams

14

00:01:38,600 --> 00:01:31,940

oh hell is preserved um oh say can you

15

00:01:44,719 --> 00:01:38,610

see by the dawn's early light what so

16

00:01:49,249 --> 00:01:44,729

proudly we hailed at the twilight's last

17

00:01:55,400 --> 00:01:49,259

gleaming whose broad stripes and bright

18

00:02:00,109 --> 00:01:55,410

stars through the perilous fight o'er

19

00:02:07,960 --> 00:02:00,119

the ramparts we watched were so

20

00:02:14,170 --> 00:02:07,970

gallantly streaming I low-cut red glare

21

00:02:18,789 --> 00:02:14,180

the bombs bursting in air gave proof

22

00:02:25,900 --> 00:02:18,799

through the night that our flag was

23

00:02:25,910 --> 00:02:31,590

star-spangled banner

24

00:02:56,220 --> 00:02:39,390

or the high halls are three I know home

25

00:03:20,520 --> 00:03:17,670

all right Thank You musician chief

26  
00:03:22,470 --> 00:03:20,530  
Williams navy band and color guards for

27  
00:03:29,819 --> 00:03:22,480  
your service and for your support of

28  
00:03:32,130 --> 00:03:29,829  
this program today please be seated we

29  
00:03:35,099 --> 00:03:32,140  
will now have words of welcome from mr.

30  
00:03:50,260 --> 00:03:35,109  
J hen executive director of headquarters

31  
00:03:55,250 --> 00:03:53,870  
good morning everyone as Carolyn said

32  
00:03:57,230 --> 00:03:55,260  
and thank you carolyn for getting us

33  
00:03:59,600 --> 00:03:57,240  
kicked off there my name is jay and i

34  
00:04:00,710 --> 00:03:59,610  
have the privilege of serving as the

35  
00:04:03,620 --> 00:04:00,720  
executive director of headquarters

36  
00:04:06,140 --> 00:04:03,630  
operations and the pleasure of welcoming

37  
00:04:08,060 --> 00:04:06,150  
all of you especially family members and

38  
00:04:10,040 --> 00:04:08,070

guests here to the 39th annual

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00:04:12,380 --> 00:04:10,050

headquarters honor awards ceremony

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00:04:14,360 --> 00:04:12,390

before I go any further I would simply

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00:04:16,610 --> 00:04:14,370

like to add my appreciation as his

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00:04:18,140 --> 00:04:16,620

Carolyn and extend a very special thank

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00:04:20,180 --> 00:04:18,150

you to the Military District of

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00:04:22,370 --> 00:04:20,190

Washington joint Armed Forces color

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00:04:26,150 --> 00:04:22,380

guard and the chief Williams for that

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00:04:28,370 --> 00:04:26,160

rendition of our National Anthem I still

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00:04:31,790 --> 00:04:28,380

remember my first headquarters honor

48

00:04:33,440 --> 00:04:31,800

award ceremony and despite what several

49

00:04:37,610 --> 00:04:33,450

of you out there are thinking it was not

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00:04:39,140 --> 00:04:37,620

39 years ago maybe close but that was

51  
00:04:42,170 --> 00:04:39,150  
the first time I saw the color guard

52  
00:04:44,540 --> 00:04:42,180  
march in I am a bit of a history buff

53  
00:04:46,910 --> 00:04:44,550  
and to just see all of the campaign

54  
00:04:49,280 --> 00:04:46,920  
ribbons hanging down spanning our

55  
00:04:51,620 --> 00:04:49,290  
country's history just to me seemed to

56  
00:04:54,850 --> 00:04:51,630  
be an incredibly appropriate context for

57  
00:04:57,110 --> 00:04:54,860  
honoring our own so I'm always very

58  
00:05:00,320 --> 00:04:57,120  
enjoy having them back year after year

59  
00:05:02,810 --> 00:05:00,330  
and very happy to see them again now if

60  
00:05:04,670 --> 00:05:02,820  
my math is correct this means the first

61  
00:05:09,890 --> 00:05:04,680  
headquarters honor award ceremony was

62  
00:05:11,630 --> 00:05:09,900  
held in 1974 now NASA in 1974 I was just

63  
00:05:13,760 --> 00:05:11,640

sort of refreshing my memory this

64

00:05:17,210 --> 00:05:13,770

morning has some very interesting

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00:05:20,030 --> 00:05:17,220

parallels to the NASA of 2012 we had a

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00:05:22,130 --> 00:05:20,040

space station in February of that year

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00:05:24,230 --> 00:05:22,140

the three-man crew of Skylab returned to

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00:05:25,880 --> 00:05:24,240

Earth after spending eighty five days in

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00:05:27,640 --> 00:05:25,890

space something at the time I'm sure

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00:05:30,080 --> 00:05:27,650

seemed like a very long duration flight

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00:05:32,240 --> 00:05:30,090

we were in the midst of transitioning

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00:05:34,820 --> 00:05:32,250

from one major human exploration program

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00:05:36,470 --> 00:05:34,830

to another north american rockwell had

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00:05:40,100 --> 00:05:36,480

just begun work on the first shuttle

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00:05:41,990 --> 00:05:40,110

orbiter later named enterprise and we

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00:05:44,300 --> 00:05:42,000

are actively exploring the solar system

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00:05:46,010 --> 00:05:44,310

and beyond in September for example

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00:05:48,880 --> 00:05:46,020

mariner 10 made a second flyby of

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00:05:51,350 --> 00:05:48,890

mercury and late in the year december

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00:05:54,020 --> 00:05:51,360

pioneer 11 made its closest approach to

81

00:05:55,610 --> 00:05:54,030

jupiter now i suspect that our main

82

00:05:57,770 --> 00:05:55,620

speaker may have more to say about the

83

00:06:00,200 --> 00:05:57,780

nasa of today and tomorrow so i'll just

84

00:06:01,220 --> 00:06:00,210

leave in saying that i'm confident in

85

00:06:03,560 --> 00:06:01,230

predicting that the next

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00:06:06,980 --> 00:06:03,570

39 years will be even more impressive

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00:06:09,200 --> 00:06:06,990

than the last 39 now it's often said

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00:06:11,600 --> 00:06:09,210

that we make the hard things look easy

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00:06:13,550 --> 00:06:11,610

but in the midst of doing those hard

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00:06:16,460 --> 00:06:13,560

things it's often very difficult to take

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00:06:18,050 --> 00:06:16,470

a moment to stop look around and say

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00:06:21,020 --> 00:06:18,060

thank you to all of those who make it

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00:06:22,310 --> 00:06:21,030

possible so it truly is my pleasure to

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00:06:24,890 --> 00:06:22,320

welcome you this morning to celebrate

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00:06:28,460 --> 00:06:24,900

the accomplishments of over 220

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00:06:29,780 --> 00:06:28,470

headquarters employees now for those of

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00:06:32,510 --> 00:06:29,790

you who are mostly here because of the

98

00:06:35,000 --> 00:06:32,520

food don't worry we're we're only going

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00:06:36,530 --> 00:06:35,010

to hand out 26 awards several of those

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00:06:39,050 --> 00:06:36,540

as I'm sure you've seen from the program

101  
00:06:41,090 --> 00:06:39,060  
our team awards and so those 26

102  
00:06:43,940 --> 00:06:41,100  
represent the contributions of a vastly

103  
00:06:45,770 --> 00:06:43,950  
number greater of individuals I'd also

104  
00:06:47,480 --> 00:06:45,780  
like to point out we have one new award

105  
00:06:48,770 --> 00:06:47,490  
this year this is the first year that

106  
00:06:51,380 --> 00:06:48,780  
headquarters has offered the

107  
00:06:52,700 --> 00:06:51,390  
administrative professional award as

108  
00:06:54,280 --> 00:06:52,710  
you'll hear more about in a couple of

109  
00:06:56,120 --> 00:06:54,290  
minutes this award recognizes

110  
00:06:58,040 --> 00:06:56,130  
administrative professionals who have

111  
00:07:00,260 --> 00:06:58,050  
made exceptional contributions in the

112  
00:07:01,760 --> 00:07:00,270  
administrative support field I'm very

113  
00:07:03,770 --> 00:07:01,770

pleased to say that we had a strong

114

00:07:06,800 --> 00:07:03,780

cadre of nominations this first time

115

00:07:08,720 --> 00:07:06,810

around I'd like to wrap up by

116

00:07:10,460 --> 00:07:08,730

acknowledging the many individuals who

117

00:07:13,640 --> 00:07:10,470

have worked behind the scenes to prepare

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00:07:15,350 --> 00:07:13,650

for and put on this ceremony in the

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00:07:17,000 --> 00:07:15,360

great Academy Awards tradition I will

120

00:07:18,800 --> 00:07:17,010

not try to list each of them by name

121

00:07:21,170 --> 00:07:18,810

because I would leave somebody out I

122

00:07:23,660 --> 00:07:21,180

would like to say though thank you to

123

00:07:25,340 --> 00:07:23,670

mr. Glenn Delgado who chaired our

124

00:07:27,380 --> 00:07:25,350

headquarters honor awards committee this

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00:07:28,940 --> 00:07:27,390

year as well as to all the members of

126

00:07:32,720 --> 00:07:28,950

that committee and appreciate your

127

00:07:35,270 --> 00:07:32,730

efforts on with the program now I'm not

128

00:07:40,280 --> 00:07:35,280

totally sure where our next speaker was

129

00:07:42,590 --> 00:07:40,290

in 1974 Los Angeles maybe I might have

130

00:07:44,480 --> 00:07:42,600

might got that right okay great in any

131

00:07:46,340 --> 00:07:44,490

event this is the seconds or maybe the

132

00:07:48,020 --> 00:07:46,350

third time that I've been able to

133

00:07:50,120 --> 00:07:48,030

introduce Charlie to an internal

134

00:07:53,180 --> 00:07:50,130

audience and i'm already gravitated

135

00:07:55,190 --> 00:07:53,190

toward you know shorter is better as all

136

00:07:57,230 --> 00:07:55,200

of you know Charlie has been a constant

137

00:08:00,260 --> 00:07:57,240

and very vocal supporter not only of the

138

00:08:01,730 --> 00:08:00,270

agency but of all of us as employees and

139

00:08:03,770 --> 00:08:01,740

I can think of no one better to have

140

00:08:07,480 --> 00:08:03,780

here to help us celebrate this morning

141

00:08:15,580 --> 00:08:07,490

so ladies and gentlemen Charlie Bolden

142

00:08:17,409 --> 00:08:15,590

a central real man thank you thanks very

143

00:08:19,600 --> 00:08:17,419

much Jay and thanks very much to you

144

00:08:21,040 --> 00:08:19,610

Carolyn I I know that I think the color

145

00:08:24,339 --> 00:08:21,050

guards back in the back some were

146

00:08:26,860 --> 00:08:24,349

probably waiting for food too I'll tell

147

00:08:30,850 --> 00:08:26,870

you it's not very often that we get to

148

00:08:32,589 --> 00:08:30,860

hear a robust baritone voice singing the

149

00:08:36,820 --> 00:08:32,599

national anthem and and that was

150

00:08:39,100 --> 00:08:36,830

impressive so I I also thank musician

151  
00:08:40,899 --> 00:08:39,110  
chief Williams for his his rendition of

152  
00:08:44,740 --> 00:08:40,909  
the national anthem and as I had an

153  
00:08:46,900 --> 00:08:44,750  
opportunity to tell a young lady done it

154  
00:08:48,460 --> 00:08:46,910  
at KSC on Friday when we did the

155  
00:08:53,470 --> 00:08:48,470  
Atlantis roll over the national anthems

156  
00:08:55,269 --> 00:08:53,480  
hard very difficult to do and it was

157  
00:08:59,139 --> 00:08:55,279  
superbly done then and superbly done

158  
00:09:02,170 --> 00:08:59,149  
this morning as everyone votes today and

159  
00:09:04,780 --> 00:09:02,180  
hopefully all of you have somehow if you

160  
00:09:08,050 --> 00:09:04,790  
haven't I hope you will get out because

161  
00:09:09,699 --> 00:09:08,060  
it is our civic duty to do so so so

162  
00:09:11,519 --> 00:09:09,709  
please make sure that you are not one of

163  
00:09:14,260 --> 00:09:11,529

those that I'm going to be angry with

164

00:09:17,769 --> 00:09:14,270

because you didn't take advantage of the

165

00:09:20,470 --> 00:09:17,779

opportunity to cast your vote it is an

166

00:09:22,900 --> 00:09:20,480

important day because today we vote for

167

00:09:25,420 --> 00:09:22,910

the leaders of our nation I think it's

168

00:09:27,850 --> 00:09:25,430

fitting that today at NASA we honor some

169

00:09:29,710 --> 00:09:27,860

of the multitude of leaders in all the

170

00:09:32,350 --> 00:09:29,720

fields who are leading our nation's

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00:09:34,420 --> 00:09:32,360

space program today we recognize our

172

00:09:36,000 --> 00:09:34,430

friends colleagues and fellow members of

173

00:09:38,380 --> 00:09:36,010

the NASA family here at headquarters

174

00:09:41,680 --> 00:09:38,390

who've made a difference in the past

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00:09:44,019 --> 00:09:41,690

year but I also want to thank all of you

176

00:09:46,630 --> 00:09:44,029

every headquarters employee for your

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00:09:49,690 --> 00:09:46,640

outstanding efforts headquarters leads

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00:09:52,090 --> 00:09:49,700

the efforts of the NASA agency across

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00:09:55,240 --> 00:09:52,100

the nation and it has been a year of

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00:09:56,949 --> 00:09:55,250

amazing milestones people always want to

181

00:10:01,240 --> 00:09:56,959

know what goes on at NASA headquarters

182

00:10:04,050 --> 00:10:01,250

and I tell them a lot of hard work and I

183

00:10:06,370 --> 00:10:04,060

watch it all it's always a pleasure

184

00:10:09,220 --> 00:10:06,380

walking the halls of this building

185

00:10:11,650 --> 00:10:09,230

because so many of you have stories to

186

00:10:13,780 --> 00:10:11,660

tell me about your work and concerns and

187

00:10:16,630 --> 00:10:13,790

the common denominator is that you're

188

00:10:19,540 --> 00:10:16,640

passionate about what you do without

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00:10:21,280 --> 00:10:19,550

that nothing else matters with that

190

00:10:24,069 --> 00:10:21,290

invaluable asset we're able

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00:10:26,499 --> 00:10:24,079

achieve the impossible together the

192

00:10:28,780 --> 00:10:26,509

personal and professional milestones of

193

00:10:31,300 --> 00:10:28,790

the colleagues we honor today are

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00:10:34,749 --> 00:10:31,310

helping to unfold a new era of space

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00:10:37,600 --> 00:10:34,759

exploration right now the NASA workforce

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00:10:40,030 --> 00:10:37,610

is the very best in government and those

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00:10:43,150 --> 00:10:40,040

we honor today have excelled beyond even

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00:10:44,620 --> 00:10:43,160

that high standard so please join me in

199

00:10:48,129 --> 00:10:44,630

honoring and thanking the men and women

200

00:10:51,129 --> 00:10:48,139

who receive honor awards today they are

201  
00:10:53,410 --> 00:10:51,139  
the heart and soul of NASA they help us

202  
00:10:56,199 --> 00:10:53,420  
do all the hard things that our agency

203  
00:10:59,319 --> 00:10:56,209  
is called on to do with enthusiasm and

204  
00:11:02,050 --> 00:10:59,329  
professionalism I congratulate everyone

205  
00:11:05,170 --> 00:11:02,060  
who's being recognized today as well as

206  
00:11:07,720 --> 00:11:05,180  
your families and I think I see many of

207  
00:11:09,579 --> 00:11:07,730  
them here today with us we're fortunate

208  
00:11:11,439 --> 00:11:09,589  
to have the benefit of your talents in

209  
00:11:14,379 --> 00:11:11,449  
the entire world is a better place

210  
00:11:16,329 --> 00:11:14,389  
because of the work that you do it's my

211  
00:11:18,670 --> 00:11:16,339  
honor to lead this agency and to work

212  
00:11:21,670 --> 00:11:18,680  
with all of you to create the future

213  
00:11:24,400 --> 00:11:21,680

right now together we're making the

214

00:11:26,439 --> 00:11:24,410

nation proud and now it's my great honor

215

00:11:28,360 --> 00:11:26,449

to personally congratulate along with

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00:11:31,449 --> 00:11:28,370

Robert Lightfoot this year's

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00:11:33,340 --> 00:11:31,459

headquarters on our Awards recipients so

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00:11:35,730 --> 00:11:33,350

thank you all very much and will now get

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00:11:44,800 --> 00:11:35,740

to the business that we came here for

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00:11:47,110 --> 00:11:44,810

okay I will I'd like to thank mr. hen

221

00:11:50,170 --> 00:11:47,120

and also our administrator for those

222

00:11:51,490 --> 00:11:50,180

very kind words at this time associate

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00:12:00,240 --> 00:11:51,500

administrator like but would you please

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00:12:06,700 --> 00:12:03,850

today 26 headquarters awards will be

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00:12:09,250 --> 00:12:06,710

presented in eight categories each

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00:12:12,160 --> 00:12:09,260

awardee will come on the stage to

227

00:12:15,910 --> 00:12:12,170

receive the award as I read the citation

228

00:12:17,620 --> 00:12:15,920

I ask that you hold your applauses until

229

00:12:21,760 --> 00:12:17,630

I have completed reading the entire

230

00:12:27,490 --> 00:12:21,770

citation the first category of awards is

231

00:12:30,070 --> 00:12:27,500

the distinguished Achievement Award this

232

00:12:32,460 --> 00:12:30,080

award recognizes employees for

233

00:12:35,110 --> 00:12:32,470

significant sustained achievements

234

00:12:37,840 --> 00:12:35,120

representing substantial contributions

235

00:12:45,000 --> 00:12:37,850

to the mission of headquarters we have

236

00:12:47,830 --> 00:12:45,010

two recipients John Falcor is the first

237

00:12:50,530 --> 00:12:47,840

for exemplary contributions and

238

00:12:53,290 --> 00:12:50,540

leadership to NASA and the space

239

00:13:03,580 --> 00:12:53,300

technology program NASA innovative

240

00:13:13,130 --> 00:13:09,110

the second recipient is Catherine car

241

00:13:15,710 --> 00:13:13,140

Mason for exceptional professional

242

00:13:17,570 --> 00:13:15,720

achievement while serving as the program

243

00:13:20,510 --> 00:13:17,580

manager of the Office of Budget

244

00:13:30,650 --> 00:13:20,520

management and systems support with

245

00:13:33,410 --> 00:13:30,660

dedication and initiative the next

246

00:13:36,880 --> 00:13:33,420

category of awards is the administrative

247

00:13:39,260 --> 00:13:36,890

professional award this award recognizes

248

00:13:41,510 --> 00:13:39,270

administrative professionals who have

249

00:13:44,150 --> 00:13:41,520

made exceptional contributions in the

250

00:13:46,970 --> 00:13:44,160

administrative support field as was

251  
00:13:49,070 --> 00:13:46,980  
earlier mentioned this is the first year

252  
00:13:51,800 --> 00:13:49,080  
the Administrative Professionals award

253  
00:13:57,320 --> 00:13:51,810  
is included in the NASA headquarter

254  
00:14:03,860 --> 00:13:57,330  
honors award we have four recipients the

255  
00:14:06,590 --> 00:14:03,870  
first is Laverne Drayton for exemplary

256  
00:14:09,140 --> 00:14:06,600  
professionalism and tireless dedication

257  
00:14:12,380 --> 00:14:09,150  
in support of three divisions in the

258  
00:14:20,510 --> 00:14:12,390  
human exploration and operations Mission

259  
00:14:24,320 --> 00:14:20,520  
Directorate the next recipient is Mary

260  
00:14:28,280 --> 00:14:24,330  
done in recognition of exemplary

261  
00:14:30,620 --> 00:14:28,290  
contributions internal and external to

262  
00:14:43,900 --> 00:14:30,630  
the organization and to the headquarters

263  
00:14:55,970 --> 00:14:52,940

the next recipient is nyeema Lee for

264

00:14:58,850 --> 00:14:55,980

exceptional dedication initiative and

265

00:15:00,250 --> 00:14:58,860

teamwork while serving as the secretary

266

00:15:13,910 --> 00:15:00,260

for the office of small business

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00:15:17,420 --> 00:15:13,920

programs the next category is the civil

268

00:15:20,330 --> 00:15:17,430

service team award this award recognizes

269

00:15:27,830 --> 00:15:20,340

a team of headquarters civil service

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00:15:29,960 --> 00:15:27,840

employees ok let's go back the last

271

00:15:33,920 --> 00:15:29,970

recipient in this category is not

272

00:15:39,790 --> 00:15:33,930

administrator bolden it is Cynthia

273

00:15:41,660 --> 00:15:39,800

Thomas for providing exceptional

274

00:15:44,030 --> 00:15:41,670

administrative support in the

275

00:15:46,430 --> 00:15:44,040

establishment of the office of the chief

276

00:15:52,970 --> 00:15:46,440

scientist and the execution of its

277

00:15:55,220 --> 00:15:52,980

function one of the things I've learned

278

00:15:57,800 --> 00:15:55,230

in being an MC is that you have to be

279

00:15:59,840 --> 00:15:57,810

flexible and talked about flexible this

280

00:16:02,240 --> 00:15:59,850

morning the whole program changed so i

281

00:16:05,660 --> 00:16:02,250

am really operating in a very good way

282

00:16:08,630 --> 00:16:05,670

here the next award now is the civil

283

00:16:11,300 --> 00:16:08,640

service team award this award recognizes

284

00:16:13,520 --> 00:16:11,310

a team of headquarters civil servant

285

00:16:15,350 --> 00:16:13,530

employees who have made significant

286

00:16:17,990 --> 00:16:15,360

contributions to the mission of

287

00:16:21,230 --> 00:16:18,000

headquarters or to the welfare of

288

00:16:23,990 --> 00:16:21,240

headquarters employees we have three

289

00:16:25,880 --> 00:16:24,000

teams being honored the first is the

290

00:16:29,270 --> 00:16:25,890

astrophysics division research

291

00:16:34,990 --> 00:16:29,280

competitions team accepting on behalf of

292

00:16:41,690 --> 00:16:38,990

for achieving for the first time the

293

00:16:44,210 --> 00:16:41,700

agency's goal of announcing research

294

00:16:47,330 --> 00:16:44,220

proposal selections across an entire

295

00:17:00,020 --> 00:16:47,340

divisions research program in less than

296

00:17:03,950 --> 00:17:00,030

180 days next we have the procurement

297

00:17:38,940 --> 00:17:03,960

quality team accepting on behalf of the

298

00:17:45,460 --> 00:17:42,149

next we have the Space Shuttle Orbiter

299

00:17:49,330 --> 00:17:45,470

disposition team accepting on behalf of

300

00:17:51,820 --> 00:17:49,340

the team is Richard Irving for

301  
00:18:08,140 --> 00:17:51,830  
outstanding contribution to the agency

302  
00:18:14,480 --> 00:18:11,260  
the next category is the civil service

303  
00:18:16,840 --> 00:18:14,490  
contractor team award this award

304  
00:18:19,280 --> 00:18:16,850  
recognizes teams composed of both

305  
00:18:22,220 --> 00:18:19,290  
headquarters civil service employees and

306  
00:18:23,750 --> 00:18:22,230  
contractors who have made significant

307  
00:18:26,450 --> 00:18:23,760  
contributions to the mission of

308  
00:18:30,230 --> 00:18:26,460  
headquarters or to the welfare of

309  
00:18:32,210 --> 00:18:30,240  
headquarters employees teams include the

310  
00:18:35,750 --> 00:18:32,220  
commemorative Space Shuttle shuttle

311  
00:18:41,650 --> 00:18:35,760  
program book team accepting on behalf of

312  
00:18:44,600 --> 00:18:41,660  
the team is Michael circle Vic for

313  
00:18:47,330 --> 00:18:44,610

outstanding support of the space shuttle

314

00:18:59,270 --> 00:18:47,340

program and designing a book honoring

315

00:19:01,100 --> 00:18:59,280

space travel next we have the

316

00:19:04,610 --> 00:19:01,110

headquarters combined federal campaign

317

00:19:09,740 --> 00:19:04,620

team accepting on behalf of the team is

318

00:19:12,680 --> 00:19:09,750

Natalie Sims for outstanding team work

319

00:19:27,000 --> 00:19:12,690

in the completion of 2011 combined

320

00:19:35,049 --> 00:19:30,310

next we have the headquarters operations

321

00:19:45,039 --> 00:19:35,059

move team will the recipient please come

322

00:19:47,350 --> 00:19:45,049

forward this recipient has the

323

00:19:50,830 --> 00:19:47,360

opportunity to do a shout out would you

324

00:20:03,010 --> 00:19:50,840

shout out your name please you get to do

325

00:20:05,139 --> 00:20:03,020

shout out Thank You Jeremiah next we

326

00:20:11,529 --> 00:20:05,149

have the headquarters operations move

327

00:20:14,019 --> 00:20:11,539

team and he just left us next see a

328

00:20:15,669 --> 00:20:14,029

little humor is always good right if you

329

00:20:17,350 --> 00:20:15,679

don't know I'm in Toastmasters and they

330

00:20:18,940 --> 00:20:17,360

told me if you get to a point where it

331

00:20:20,260 --> 00:20:18,950

looks like a little glitch just put a

332

00:20:23,440 --> 00:20:20,270

little humor in there so thanks for

333

00:20:26,260 --> 00:20:23,450

laughing next we have the JCL to

334

00:20:31,120 --> 00:20:26,270

development team accepting on behalf of

335

00:20:34,529 --> 00:20:31,130

the team is James Johnson for developing

336

00:20:36,789 --> 00:20:34,539

and implementing new analysis tools

337

00:20:39,580 --> 00:20:36,799

enhancing NASA's ability to generate

338

00:20:42,340 --> 00:20:39,590

joint confidence levels for cost and

339

00:20:51,270 --> 00:20:42,350

schedule estimates supporting all major

340

00:20:58,270 --> 00:20:54,600

next we have the Sofia joining forces

341

00:21:07,030 --> 00:20:58,280

award accepting on behalf of the team is

342

00:21:13,330 --> 00:21:07,040

cong wen for excellent you can tell

343

00:21:15,910 --> 00:21:13,340

himself okay okay his name was felled h

344

00:21:19,390 --> 00:21:15,920

uy + h anybody want to tell me how

345

00:21:21,700 --> 00:21:19,400

that's pronounced some people would say

346

00:21:26,980 --> 00:21:21,710

ho some people would say when we choose

347

00:21:29,110 --> 00:21:26,990

to say when come win thank you and I

348

00:21:30,760 --> 00:21:29,120

will tell you this was the team that

349

00:21:33,070 --> 00:21:30,770

brought Sofia to Andrews Air Force Base

350

00:21:36,090 --> 00:21:33,080

and brought military kids from all over

351  
00:21:39,010 --> 00:21:36,100  
the area out and they were mesmerised so

352  
00:21:50,920 --> 00:21:39,020  
I'm not single in a tally except for the

353  
00:21:52,390 --> 00:21:50,930  
fact that it was just awesome that would

354  
00:21:56,490 --> 00:21:52,400  
have been a good opportunity for the

355  
00:22:02,770 --> 00:21:59,320  
and start being a military man I give

356  
00:22:06,000 --> 00:22:02,780  
you that option at this point you see

357  
00:22:08,560 --> 00:22:06,010  
what the next one he isn't always okay

358  
00:22:11,530 --> 00:22:08,570  
the next award is the co-operative

359  
00:22:13,960 --> 00:22:11,540  
external achievement award this award

360  
00:22:16,480 --> 00:22:13,970  
recognizes employees for outstanding

361  
00:22:19,170 --> 00:22:16,490  
creative person to person relationships

362  
00:22:23,380 --> 00:22:19,180  
with personnel outside of headquarters

363  
00:22:29,820 --> 00:22:23,390

this year we have two recipients the

364

00:22:38,880 --> 00:22:34,360

for exemplary work in developing an

365

00:22:41,590 --> 00:22:38,890

outreach program at NASA called same lab

366

00:22:44,230 --> 00:22:41,600

astrobiology that discovers and develops

367

00:22:53,620 --> 00:22:44,240

concise effective communication making

368

00:22:57,610 --> 00:22:53,630

NASA science more accessible secondly we

369

00:23:00,760 --> 00:22:57,620

have Kenneth jux for outstanding

370

00:23:03,610 --> 00:23:00,770

cooperation with NASA centers academia

371

00:23:06,220 --> 00:23:03,620

and the international research community

372

00:23:17,740 --> 00:23:06,230

to advance NASA's observation based

373

00:23:20,590 --> 00:23:17,750

research in atmospheric composition the

374

00:23:26,800 --> 00:23:20,600

next category is the creative management

375

00:23:29,140 --> 00:23:26,810

award this award recognizes supervisors

376

00:23:31,540 --> 00:23:29,150

who make a unique contribution to their

377

00:23:34,300 --> 00:23:31,550

offices or missions by working

378

00:23:36,960 --> 00:23:34,310

creatively with people inspiring and

379

00:23:39,220 --> 00:23:36,970

motivating them to greater achievement

380

00:23:41,650 --> 00:23:39,230

for the creative management award

381

00:23:44,140 --> 00:23:41,660

Michelle Callaway could not be with us

382

00:23:55,810 --> 00:23:44,150

but we wanted to acknowledge her for her

383

00:24:01,940 --> 00:23:58,850

the next category is the exceptional

384

00:24:06,350 --> 00:24:01,950

performance award category and we have

385

00:24:08,600 --> 00:24:06,360

six recipients I'd like to ask the first

386

00:24:16,590 --> 00:24:08,610

recipient to come forward miss Gail

387

00:24:30,750 --> 00:24:18,960

we'd like to thank y'all for all of her

388

00:24:42,210 --> 00:24:30,760

contributions next we have Michael

389

00:24:52,020 --> 00:24:42,220

reason we'd like to thank Michael for

390

00:24:53,820 --> 00:24:52,030

his excellent contributions also Sarah

391

00:24:56,400 --> 00:24:53,830

DeWitt could not be with us today but

392

00:25:05,060 --> 00:24:56,410

we'd like to acknowledge her next we

393

00:25:07,020 --> 00:25:05,070

have Tiffany Shuford we'd like to thank

394

00:25:18,649 --> 00:25:07,030

Tiffany for all of her major

395

00:25:32,669 --> 00:25:29,909

next we have mark sis till so silly we'd

396

00:25:36,210 --> 00:25:32,679

like to thank mistook the silly for all

397

00:25:38,490 --> 00:25:36,220

of his contributions I've got that Nexus

398

00:25:46,680 --> 00:25:38,500

Tilly so when you all see him remember

399

00:25:48,299 --> 00:25:46,690

silly our next recipient could not be

400

00:25:50,999 --> 00:25:48,309

with us today but we also want to

401  
00:25:52,799 --> 00:25:51,009  
acknowledge him and that's mr. Anthony

402  
00:26:00,629 --> 00:25:52,809  
sue Grannis so let's give them a round

403  
00:26:03,389 --> 00:26:00,639  
of applause the next category is the

404  
00:26:05,690 --> 00:26:03,399  
special service award this award

405  
00:26:08,249 --> 00:26:05,700  
recognizes headquarters contractors

406  
00:26:10,470 --> 00:26:08,259  
individuals or teams who have made

407  
00:26:13,139 --> 00:26:10,480  
significant contributions to the mission

408  
00:26:16,200 --> 00:26:13,149  
of headquarters or to the welfare of

409  
00:26:19,139 --> 00:26:16,210  
headquarters employees in the individual

410  
00:26:29,330 --> 00:26:19,149  
category we have two recipients the

411  
00:26:34,920 --> 00:26:32,550  
for exceptional initiative and effort

412  
00:26:37,160 --> 00:26:34,930  
that made the NASA science on spare

413  
00:26:40,140 --> 00:26:37,170

exhibit a smash success at the

414

00:26:49,050 --> 00:26:40,150

International 2012 world radio conference

415

00:26:52,110 --> 00:26:49,060

in Geneva Switzerland the next recipient

416

00:26:54,060 --> 00:26:52,120

is Tanya Johnston but she's unable to be

417

00:27:01,650 --> 00:26:54,070

with us today but we wanted to at least

418

00:27:04,530 --> 00:27:01,660

acknowledge her in the group category we

419

00:27:06,870 --> 00:27:04,540

have the information technology support

420

00:27:09,570 --> 00:27:06,880

team and this is our only recipient in

421

00:27:21,330 --> 00:27:09,580

this category accepting on behalf of the

422

00:27:23,760 --> 00:27:21,340

team is denene Newton for exceptional

423

00:27:26,490 --> 00:27:23,770

professional achievement dedication

424

00:27:28,620 --> 00:27:26,500

initiative and teamwork in providing

425

00:27:31,050 --> 00:27:28,630

outstanding customer service to the

426

00:27:38,269 --> 00:27:31,060

office of budget management and systems

427

00:27:44,220 --> 00:27:41,220

next we have the special service team

428

00:27:50,450 --> 00:27:44,230

award and this is awarded to the

429

00:27:53,119 --> 00:27:50,460

information technology support team and

430

00:27:57,269 --> 00:27:53,129

it looks like we're not going to do that

431

00:28:02,099 --> 00:27:57,279

so at this time all of our awardees have

432

00:28:06,869 --> 00:28:02,109

been awarded is there anyone that we

433

00:28:09,269 --> 00:28:06,879

left off just checking if not at this

434

00:28:13,560 --> 00:28:09,279

time I'd like to ask you to applaud our

435

00:28:20,070 --> 00:28:13,570

two great leaders for helping us in this

436

00:28:25,169 --> 00:28:22,529

and I don't you know usually they're

437

00:28:28,289 --> 00:28:25,179

the kids out there are their

438

00:28:29,759 --> 00:28:28,299

family members or others friend and

439

00:28:32,340 --> 00:28:29,769

stuff like that who are here would you

440

00:28:39,330 --> 00:28:32,350

stand up just friends and family of any

441

00:28:46,440 --> 00:28:39,340

of your woodys so we can give them funky

442

00:28:48,539 --> 00:28:46,450

thanks Larry at this time we will have

443

00:28:58,259 --> 00:28:48,549

closing remarks by our associate

444

00:28:59,909 --> 00:28:58,269

administrator mr. Lightfoot all right

445

00:29:01,860 --> 00:28:59,919

well good morning and Carol and great

446

00:29:04,139 --> 00:29:01,870

job recovering I don't think you guys

447

00:29:05,789 --> 00:29:04,149

can see but this is wild up here there's

448

00:29:08,820 --> 00:29:05,799

paper there's there's paper everywhere

449

00:29:11,100 --> 00:29:08,830

she's done a great job trying to trying

450

00:29:12,720 --> 00:29:11,110

to keep up with what's going on I really

451  
00:29:14,430 --> 00:29:12,730  
appreciate you inviting me to join the

452  
00:29:16,080 --> 00:29:14,440  
day to recognize some of the some of our

453  
00:29:17,909 --> 00:29:16,090  
headquarters and agencies best folks

454  
00:29:19,710 --> 00:29:17,919  
well the best things I get to do is it

455  
00:29:22,379 --> 00:29:19,720  
is associate administrators I get to go

456  
00:29:23,940 --> 00:29:22,389  
around this agency and meet so many

457  
00:29:25,590 --> 00:29:23,950  
members of the NASA family and see what

458  
00:29:27,029 --> 00:29:25,600  
they're doing to support our mission and

459  
00:29:29,399 --> 00:29:27,039  
everything we're trying to do as the

460  
00:29:30,810 --> 00:29:29,409  
agency tries to reach its milestones you

461  
00:29:32,940 --> 00:29:30,820  
know whether you work directly on a

462  
00:29:35,399 --> 00:29:32,950  
programmer a project or whether you just

463  
00:29:36,570 --> 00:29:35,409

support her admission support helping

464

00:29:38,789 --> 00:29:36,580

those programs and projects be

465

00:29:40,980 --> 00:29:38,799

successful you honor NASA and this

466

00:29:42,899 --> 00:29:40,990

nation with what you do and your great

467

00:29:44,759 --> 00:29:42,909

accomplishments and this is our chance

468

00:29:46,830 --> 00:29:44,769

to honor you and that was what was so

469

00:29:48,419 --> 00:29:46,840

great about today on any given day you

470

00:29:50,730 --> 00:29:48,429

may not think it but you're making

471

00:29:52,620 --> 00:29:50,740

history you're making history every day

472

00:29:54,629 --> 00:29:52,630

that's what this agency does and I know

473

00:29:55,860 --> 00:29:54,639

this dedication and it sometimes

474

00:29:57,990 --> 00:29:55,870

requires quite a bit of personal

475

00:29:59,250 --> 00:29:58,000

sacrifice and there's sometimes we'd

476

00:30:00,840 --> 00:29:59,260

rather not be here you'd rather be at

477

00:30:03,210 --> 00:30:00,850

home at a kids game or something like

478

00:30:05,100 --> 00:30:03,220

that so to our guests like Charlie said

479

00:30:07,200 --> 00:30:05,110

thank you for being part of our extended

480

00:30:08,700 --> 00:30:07,210

NASA family as well you're the ones that

481

00:30:10,289 --> 00:30:08,710

allow us to get to do what we get to do

482

00:30:12,149 --> 00:30:10,299

every day and we couldn't do it without

483

00:30:15,240 --> 00:30:12,159

you supporting us at home so thank you

484

00:30:18,149 --> 00:30:15,250

for that if you ask the public what they

485

00:30:20,340 --> 00:30:18,159

know about NASA what's known what we're

486

00:30:21,299 --> 00:30:20,350

known for in general typically what

487

00:30:22,980 --> 00:30:21,309

they'll do is they'll come up with a

488

00:30:25,440 --> 00:30:22,990

piece of hardware it's our piece or a

489

00:30:26,549 --> 00:30:25,450

program you'll hear about Hubble you

490

00:30:27,899 --> 00:30:26,559

hear about the space shuttle you're

491

00:30:29,460 --> 00:30:27,909

about space station and now of course

492

00:30:31,649 --> 00:30:29,470

you'll hear about curiosity things like

493

00:30:33,580 --> 00:30:31,659

that and those are all great and amazing

494

00:30:35,980 --> 00:30:33,590

achievements that we have but today

495

00:30:38,820 --> 00:30:35,990

a what we're recognizing is our most

496

00:30:41,590 --> 00:30:38,830

important asset and that's our people I

497

00:30:43,480 --> 00:30:41,600

think you were the source everyone I've

498

00:30:44,799 --> 00:30:43,490

you whether you are an award you today

499

00:30:45,970 --> 00:30:44,809

or whether just you're supporting them

500

00:30:48,370 --> 00:30:45,980

you're the source of our great

501  
00:30:49,930 --> 00:30:48,380  
achievements you're the people that that

502  
00:30:52,690 --> 00:30:49,940  
the spaceflight community and all our

503  
00:30:55,360 --> 00:30:52,700  
peers out there look to your move your

504  
00:30:58,570 --> 00:30:55,370  
what makes or breaks us reflect on the

505  
00:31:00,340 --> 00:30:58,580  
citations you heard today think about

506  
00:31:02,669 --> 00:31:00,350  
the body of work that that represents

507  
00:31:04,600 --> 00:31:02,679  
then multiply that by 10 centers and

508  
00:31:06,159 --> 00:31:04,610  
think about the folks that are hearing

509  
00:31:09,100 --> 00:31:06,169  
that at every center in this agency and

510  
00:31:10,539 --> 00:31:09,110  
what we accomplish every year whether

511  
00:31:13,750 --> 00:31:10,549  
it's a supervisor who helps you to

512  
00:31:15,700 --> 00:31:13,760  
succeed whether it's a teammate who

513  
00:31:18,610 --> 00:31:15,710

makes a difference in your ability to do

514

00:31:20,139 --> 00:31:18,620

what you needed to do or co-worker who

515

00:31:22,419 --> 00:31:20,149

just helps you pull that project across

516

00:31:25,029 --> 00:31:22,429

the line and get you there at the end of

517

00:31:27,159 --> 00:31:25,039

the day it's about our people and it's

518

00:31:28,930 --> 00:31:27,169

truly amazing to be such a part to be

519

00:31:31,029 --> 00:31:28,940

part of such a great agency making such

520

00:31:34,240 --> 00:31:31,039

a contribution to know this country but

521

00:31:36,370 --> 00:31:34,250

but to this world you know we have

522

00:31:38,980 --> 00:31:36,380

plenty of challenges and plenty of

523

00:31:42,880 --> 00:31:38,990

opportunities at NASA but then again

524

00:31:47,830 --> 00:31:42,890

haven't we always had that at NASA we

525

00:31:51,279 --> 00:31:47,840

dare to do great things and we only do

526  
00:31:53,950 --> 00:31:51,289  
them because of you no hardware builds

527  
00:31:56,139 --> 00:31:53,960  
itself no test runs itself no launch

528  
00:31:57,880 --> 00:31:56,149  
vehicle or spacecraft operates its f we

529  
00:31:59,169 --> 00:31:57,890  
need our people and that's that's what

530  
00:32:02,159 --> 00:31:59,179  
we're recognizing today I'm going to

531  
00:32:04,840 --> 00:32:02,169  
share two stories with you real quick I

532  
00:32:06,100 --> 00:32:04,850  
remember and still get goosebumps for

533  
00:32:07,779 --> 00:32:06,110  
the I'm from the south so if he's on

534  
00:32:09,340 --> 00:32:07,789  
what goose bumps are that's the things

535  
00:32:12,279 --> 00:32:09,350  
that raised up when you're cold like I

536  
00:32:13,840 --> 00:32:12,289  
had this morning walking in but I still

537  
00:32:16,419 --> 00:32:13,850  
get goose bumps in that first thumbnail

538  
00:32:18,279 --> 00:32:16,429

that came down from curiosity when we

539

00:32:19,930 --> 00:32:18,289

landed when everybody was sitting there

540

00:32:21,340 --> 00:32:19,940

saying wait for it wait for it you know

541

00:32:23,980 --> 00:32:21,350

and they surprised us with the thumbnail

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00:32:25,389 --> 00:32:23,990

so quick how exciting that was but you

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00:32:27,880 --> 00:32:25,399

know what I'm gonna remember 20 years

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00:32:30,029 --> 00:32:27,890

from now I'm not gonna remember that

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00:32:32,710 --> 00:32:30,039

thumbnail I'm gonna remember that team

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00:32:34,659 --> 00:32:32,720

there was jumping around celebrating and

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00:32:36,909 --> 00:32:34,669

enjoying their success I'm gonna

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00:32:38,260 --> 00:32:36,919

remember their passion as Charlie said

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00:32:40,840 --> 00:32:38,270

earlier I'm gonna remember their sense

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00:32:42,639 --> 00:32:40,850

of humor as Carolyn said that was so

551  
00:32:44,799 --> 00:32:42,649  
prevalent there and yet they were doing

552  
00:32:45,970 --> 00:32:44,809  
a very serious thing and yet they had

553  
00:32:47,379 --> 00:32:45,980  
that passion that sense of humor and

554  
00:32:49,329 --> 00:32:47,389  
that's what our people bring

555  
00:32:50,739 --> 00:32:49,339  
I also was fortunate enough to be in the

556  
00:32:53,859 --> 00:32:50,749  
control room for the last shuttle launch

557  
00:32:57,129 --> 00:32:53,869  
and it this the slf for the last landing

558  
00:33:00,430 --> 00:32:57,139  
and while I remember the liftoff and

559  
00:33:01,899 --> 00:33:00,440  
I'll remember wheel stops again what I

560  
00:33:04,119 --> 00:33:01,909  
will remember is my teammates and my

561  
00:33:06,339 --> 00:33:04,129  
colleagues and my friends the people

562  
00:33:08,589 --> 00:33:06,349  
like you who made all that happened who

563  
00:33:11,079 --> 00:33:08,599

persevered and made us shut that program

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00:33:12,849 --> 00:33:11,089

down and close that chapter but set us

565

00:33:14,199 --> 00:33:12,859

up for the future set us up the way

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00:33:15,969 --> 00:33:14,209

we're supposed to be doing as an

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00:33:19,239 --> 00:33:15,979

exploration team that's what I'll

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00:33:20,919 --> 00:33:19,249

remember it's the people if you don't

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00:33:23,619 --> 00:33:20,929

remember one thing just remember it's

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00:33:25,359 --> 00:33:23,629

the people so thank you so much for what

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00:33:29,529 --> 00:33:25,369

you do for this agency for headquarters

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00:33:33,699 --> 00:33:29,539

and for this nation as we continue this

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00:33:35,909 --> 00:33:33,709

journey of exploration please keep

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00:33:48,299 --> 00:33:35,919

helping us make the impossible possible

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00:33:53,139 --> 00:33:50,350

Thank You mr. light but for those

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00:33:54,549 --> 00:33:53,149

powerful closing remarks and what I'd

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00:33:56,950 --> 00:33:54,559

like you all to do right now is to

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00:34:07,220 --> 00:33:56,960

please join me in giving all of our

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00:34:12,840 --> 00:34:10,470

and it was mentioned that mr. Delgado

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00:34:15,419 --> 00:34:12,850

led the panel that selected these great

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00:34:17,820 --> 00:34:15,429

people but he also had some help so I'd

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00:34:19,889 --> 00:34:17,830

like to also thank all of the members of

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00:34:23,940 --> 00:34:19,899

the panel because they spent many hours

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00:34:25,379 --> 00:34:23,950

in looking over these applications and

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00:34:27,540 --> 00:34:25,389

coming up with the ones that we would

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00:34:35,820 --> 00:34:27,550

select for today so let's also take

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00:34:39,000 --> 00:34:35,830

thank the panel please as all of our

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00:34:41,280 --> 00:34:39,010

speakers today our senior leaders talked

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00:34:43,530 --> 00:34:41,290

about excellence and by having the

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00:34:46,590 --> 00:34:43,540

ceremony today we are actually showing

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00:34:50,159 --> 00:34:46,600

excellence in action so I implore each

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00:34:52,879 --> 00:34:50,169

of us to pursue excellence in all that

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00:34:55,859 --> 00:34:52,889

we do this concludes our ceremony

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00:34:58,560 --> 00:34:55,869

however there is refreshments in the