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00:00:03,909 --> 00:00:01,910  
house committee on science space and

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00:00:04,789 --> 00:00:03,919  
technology this is mission control

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00:00:11,669 --> 00:00:04,799  
houston

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00:00:16,790 --> 00:00:12,549  
smith

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00:00:16,800 --> 00:00:19,990  
we have you loud and clear

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00:00:24,310 --> 00:00:22,230  
that is great uh the gentleman from

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00:00:28,470 --> 00:00:24,320  
california mr rohrbacher will be

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00:00:32,150 --> 00:00:31,429  
this congressman dana rohrbacher and uh

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00:00:51,750 --> 00:00:32,160  
i

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00:00:53,510 --> 00:00:51,760  
to

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00:00:55,510 --> 00:00:53,520  
give us an understanding of the

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00:00:57,750 --> 00:00:55,520  
challenge of space debris how the space

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00:00:59,670 --> 00:00:57,760

station deals with it

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00:01:01,510 --> 00:00:59,680

and if there's some other

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00:01:03,830 --> 00:01:01,520

challenges like that that we may not be

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00:01:06,310 --> 00:01:03,840

thinking about here that we have to deal

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00:01:10,830 --> 00:01:06,320

with before we build a new station in

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00:01:15,030 --> 00:01:13,670

ahead it's a good question congressman

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00:01:17,109 --> 00:01:15,040

yes we do have to worry about space

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00:01:19,429 --> 00:01:17,119

debris up here as a matter of fact a

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00:01:22,550 --> 00:01:19,439

couple nights ago we had to do a

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00:01:23,749 --> 00:01:22,560

debris avoidance maneuver uh when we

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00:01:26,870 --> 00:01:23,759

realized that there was going to be a

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00:01:28,149 --> 00:01:26,880

piece of debris close to our path so we

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00:01:29,749 --> 00:01:28,159

luckily mission control has a good

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00:01:31,830 --> 00:01:29,759

program set up so when they see that

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00:01:33,749 --> 00:01:31,840

they go ahead and execute it and within

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00:01:36,230 --> 00:01:33,759

a few hours we're out of way out of

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00:01:37,830 --> 00:01:36,240

harm's way and we have people on the

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00:01:39,670 --> 00:01:37,840

ground who monitor that for us and they

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00:01:41,270 --> 00:01:39,680

know where everything is as for where

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00:01:48,069 --> 00:01:41,280

the debris is and where we are and they

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00:01:51,590 --> 00:01:50,469

the gentlewoman from texas ms johnson

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00:01:53,510 --> 00:01:51,600

ranking member of this committee is

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00:01:55,270 --> 00:01:53,520

recognized

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00:01:57,749 --> 00:01:55,280

thank you very much mr chairman and

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00:01:59,350 --> 00:01:57,759

greetings to commander wiseman and dr

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00:02:01,350 --> 00:01:59,360

swanson

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00:02:03,190 --> 00:02:01,360

it's a lot of excitement on this end

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00:02:05,990 --> 00:02:03,200

watching you

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00:02:07,590 --> 00:02:06,000

i'd like both of you to comment on the

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00:02:10,550 --> 00:02:07,600

aspects of the international space

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00:02:13,190 --> 00:02:10,560

station program that's most important in

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00:02:15,750 --> 00:02:13,200

enabling fuel human

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00:02:20,790 --> 00:02:15,760

space exploration beyond the uh

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00:02:23,990 --> 00:02:22,550

oh i don't want to take your entire day

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00:02:27,110 --> 00:02:24,000

up i could talk about this subject

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00:02:29,030 --> 00:02:27,120

forever um really it's it's getting

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00:02:31,430 --> 00:02:29,040

humans into low earth orbit and having

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00:02:33,509 --> 00:02:31,440

us live up here right now for six months

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00:02:35,350 --> 00:02:33,519  
at a time and in just a little over a

52  
00:02:38,070 --> 00:02:35,360  
year we'll have scott kelly up here for

53  
00:02:39,830 --> 00:02:38,080  
an entire year and it's it's all the

54  
00:02:41,509 --> 00:02:39,840  
things that happen to the human body and

55  
00:02:44,309 --> 00:02:41,519  
also what our spacecraft needs to

56  
00:02:46,550 --> 00:02:44,319  
provide to us like oxygen

57  
00:02:49,030 --> 00:02:46,560  
to breathe water to drink all of the

58  
00:02:51,270 --> 00:02:49,040  
food the supplies and just running this

59  
00:02:53,589 --> 00:02:51,280  
machine through its paces

60  
00:02:55,190 --> 00:02:53,599  
over six months or even a year at a time

61  
00:02:57,350 --> 00:02:55,200  
that's what we're going to need when we

62  
00:02:58,229 --> 00:02:57,360  
go onward to mars and spend two or three

63  
00:02:59,990 --> 00:02:58,239

years

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00:03:02,790 --> 00:03:00,000

in space so we need to test all this

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00:03:04,869 --> 00:03:02,800

stuff now on the space station so that

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00:03:09,190 --> 00:03:04,879

in a decade or so we can head on to mars

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00:03:12,470 --> 00:03:10,869

the gentleman from texas mr hall is

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00:03:14,309 --> 00:03:12,480

recognized

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00:03:16,309 --> 00:03:14,319

mr chairman i thank you for linking our

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00:03:18,390 --> 00:03:16,319

committee to these two astronauts

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00:03:20,470 --> 00:03:18,400

commander wiseman and dr swanson i

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00:03:22,790 --> 00:03:20,480

remember the house floor debate on june

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00:03:25,190 --> 00:03:22,800

23 1993

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00:03:28,070 --> 00:03:25,200

in this committee in this room

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00:03:30,149 --> 00:03:28,080

when this committee came within one vote

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00:03:32,710 --> 00:03:30,159

of killing the space station that

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00:03:35,190 --> 00:03:32,720

congressman markey had fought for

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00:03:36,710 --> 00:03:35,200

forever our argument made on behalf of

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00:03:38,710 --> 00:03:36,720

space station was the importance of

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00:03:40,390 --> 00:03:38,720

providing something tangible that our

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00:03:42,869 --> 00:03:40,400

children can dream about and then aim

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00:03:44,630 --> 00:03:42,879

their education their careers towards so

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00:03:46,550 --> 00:03:44,640

i'll just ask a simple question how do

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00:03:48,550 --> 00:03:46,560

you think this space station has

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00:03:50,470 --> 00:03:48,560

inspired young people and can give us

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00:03:52,390 --> 00:03:50,480

some examples of efforts on the space

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00:03:54,789 --> 00:03:52,400

station to engage young people and

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00:03:56,309 --> 00:03:54,799

inspire them to pursue stem education

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00:04:02,309 --> 00:03:56,319

what would you say to me the space

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00:04:07,589 --> 00:04:04,789

oh i do agree with you tremendously

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00:04:09,030 --> 00:04:07,599

about the stem program a matter of fact

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00:04:11,750 --> 00:04:09,040

one of the things i did before i got

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00:04:13,350 --> 00:04:11,760

here was work on spheres with students

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00:04:15,270 --> 00:04:13,360

in the local high school and that's what

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00:04:17,189 --> 00:04:15,280

we do is experiment we have up here and

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00:04:19,270 --> 00:04:17,199

the kids themselves get to program the

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00:04:21,349 --> 00:04:19,280

spheres satellites that float around

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00:04:22,950 --> 00:04:21,359

here and they have competitions and i

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00:04:24,950 --> 00:04:22,960

just saw it on the kids faces when they

100

00:04:26,790 --> 00:04:24,960

got to have their program run on the

101  
00:04:31,350 --> 00:04:26,800  
station they got so enthused about

102  
00:04:35,749 --> 00:04:32,790  
the gentlewoman from maryland miss

103  
00:04:37,670 --> 00:04:35,759  
edwards is recognized

104  
00:04:40,550 --> 00:04:37,680  
thank you very much and thank you so

105  
00:04:44,390 --> 00:04:40,560  
much i have to tell you i am so excited

106  
00:04:47,189 --> 00:04:44,400  
i wish i could be you when i grow up

107  
00:04:50,390 --> 00:04:47,199  
my my question and greetings to reid

108  
00:04:52,629 --> 00:04:50,400  
weissman a fellow marylander

109  
00:04:55,430 --> 00:04:52,639  
you know we'll package some freeze-dried

110  
00:04:57,110 --> 00:04:55,440  
crab cakes for you up there

111  
00:05:02,629 --> 00:04:57,120  
i wonder if you could

112  
00:05:06,710 --> 00:05:04,870  
i got that signal i wonder if i wonder

113  
00:05:09,670 --> 00:05:06,720

if you could tell us though

114

00:05:12,550 --> 00:05:09,680

the importance of the work that you do

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00:05:14,950 --> 00:05:12,560

and how you were inspired to join the

116

00:05:16,870 --> 00:05:14,960

space program what inspired you because

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00:05:20,070 --> 00:05:16,880

i think it is really a challenge for us

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00:05:25,029 --> 00:05:20,080

to figure out what ex inspires the next

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00:05:28,870 --> 00:05:26,629

that's a great question and i think back

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00:05:30,390 --> 00:05:28,880

to my childhood and certainly it was

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00:05:32,629 --> 00:05:30,400

when the space shuttle was just being

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00:05:33,749 --> 00:05:32,639

developed and launched back in 1981 i

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00:05:35,749 --> 00:05:33,759

was

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00:05:39,029 --> 00:05:35,759

around six years old at the time and i

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00:05:41,189 --> 00:05:39,039

definitely remember a 747 flying over

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00:05:42,710 --> 00:05:41,199

Maryland and I was at in Towson with my

127

00:05:44,710 --> 00:05:42,720

parents we had gone up to the top of a

128

00:05:46,390 --> 00:05:44,720

hill for the simple act of watching a

129

00:05:48,710 --> 00:05:46,400

space shuttle fly over on the back of a

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00:05:50,950 --> 00:05:48,720

747 as they were transporting it and

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00:05:52,790 --> 00:05:50,960

that image has burned into my mind

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00:05:54,950 --> 00:05:52,800

and that probably started the course

133

00:05:56,870 --> 00:05:54,960

that I was on to become not only a

134

00:05:59,909 --> 00:05:56,880

Navy pilot test pilot and then an

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00:06:02,070 --> 00:05:59,919

astronaut so to me we never know

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00:06:03,110 --> 00:06:02,080

as adults we never know that little

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00:06:05,189 --> 00:06:03,120

thing that's going to spark the

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00:06:06,710 --> 00:06:05,199

imagination of a child's mind and for me

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00:06:07,830 --> 00:06:06,720

it was a simple airplane with a space

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00:06:09,830 --> 00:06:07,840

shuttle flying all right that's not

141

00:06:11,029 --> 00:06:09,840

simple but it was that simple act of

142

00:06:13,270 --> 00:06:11,039

being with my parents and that's what

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00:06:16,070 --> 00:06:13,280

sparked my imagination and so

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00:06:18,390 --> 00:06:16,080

as much as we can from up here and nasa

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00:06:20,870 --> 00:06:18,400

on the ground to reach out to to kids

146

00:06:21,830 --> 00:06:20,880

and just expose them to this world this

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00:06:24,070 --> 00:06:21,840

stem

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00:06:25,029 --> 00:06:24,080

world that's in motion i think you never

149

00:06:26,390 --> 00:06:25,039

know when you're going to spark their

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00:06:29,990 --> 00:06:26,400

imagination and i'm sure that we're

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00:06:33,189 --> 00:06:31,510

the gentleman from mississippi mr

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00:06:35,270 --> 00:06:33,199

palazzo is recognized

153

00:06:37,749 --> 00:06:35,280

hey reed and steve thanks for talking to

154

00:06:40,309 --> 00:06:37,759

us today hopefully the chairman of the

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00:06:42,230 --> 00:06:40,319

full committee will allow us to have a

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00:06:44,150 --> 00:06:42,240

congressional trip to the space station

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00:06:46,070 --> 00:06:44,160

in the near future

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00:06:49,110 --> 00:06:46,080

i have a question for you from one of my

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00:06:51,029 --> 00:06:49,120

constituents in south mississippi

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00:06:53,029 --> 00:06:51,039

suzanne would like to know how do you

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00:06:59,430 --> 00:06:53,039

deal with the incredible solitude for

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00:07:03,189 --> 00:07:01,510

that is an interesting question

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00:07:04,950 --> 00:07:03,199

um each person probably does it a little

164

00:07:06,710 --> 00:07:04,960

differently one of the things we like to

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00:07:08,790 --> 00:07:06,720

do i think that helps

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00:07:10,070 --> 00:07:08,800

keep us calm and motivated at the same

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00:07:12,150 --> 00:07:10,080

time is look out the window on our

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00:07:14,070 --> 00:07:12,160

beautiful planet and when we have free

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00:07:16,150 --> 00:07:14,080

time we always go over to this window we

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00:07:18,469 --> 00:07:16,160

have called the cupola it's basically

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00:07:19,990 --> 00:07:18,479

like the glass bottom boat of our ship

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00:07:21,749 --> 00:07:20,000

and we look down on earth and it's

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00:07:23,029 --> 00:07:21,759

fantastic and that's what keeps us going

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00:07:27,589 --> 00:07:23,039

i think just looking at our beautiful

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00:07:31,430 --> 00:07:29,589

the gentleman from california mr peters

176  
00:07:33,589 --> 00:07:31,440  
is recognized

177  
00:07:35,270 --> 00:07:33,599  
thank you mr chairman hello gentlemen i

178  
00:07:36,309 --> 00:07:35,280  
had a question for you uh for our

179  
00:07:38,230 --> 00:07:36,319  
committee

180  
00:07:40,309 --> 00:07:38,240  
uh we struggle along

181  
00:07:41,990 --> 00:07:40,319  
a lot with how to maintain the country's

182  
00:07:44,150 --> 00:07:42,000  
lead in science i wondered if you could

183  
00:07:45,110 --> 00:07:44,160  
give us your perspective on how

184  
00:07:47,990 --> 00:07:45,120  
important

185  
00:07:49,510 --> 00:07:48,000  
space exploration and research is

186  
00:07:53,589 --> 00:07:49,520  
to maintaining our nation's lead in

187  
00:07:58,390 --> 00:07:55,909  
well certainly it's uh it's right at the

188  
00:08:02,070 --> 00:07:58,400

cutting edge and this is just one of our

189

00:08:04,309 --> 00:08:02,080

many uh pieces i guess in our overall

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00:08:05,990 --> 00:08:04,319

uh u.s portfolio of leading this

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00:08:08,469 --> 00:08:06,000

technological revolution that we're

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00:08:10,309 --> 00:08:08,479

living day-to-day and so uh i don't know

193

00:08:12,469 --> 00:08:10,319

right here just just off our screen to

194

00:08:14,710 --> 00:08:12,479

the right there's the arm of robonaut

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00:08:17,189 --> 00:08:14,720

and robonaut is hanging out we just had

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00:08:19,589 --> 00:08:17,199

him out last night to do uh to do some

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00:08:21,029 --> 00:08:19,599

upgrades and we'll bring it out and get

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00:08:22,469 --> 00:08:21,039

it in full operation here maybe even

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00:08:24,309 --> 00:08:22,479

with a set of legs

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00:08:25,990 --> 00:08:24,319

down the road so the work we're doing up

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00:08:27,749 --> 00:08:26,000

here is right on the cutting edge but

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00:08:29,749 --> 00:08:27,759

that's just one small piece across our

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00:08:31,749 --> 00:08:29,759

entire country of what's going on and a

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00:08:33,670 --> 00:08:31,759

lot of it is thanks to uh government

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00:08:35,670 --> 00:08:33,680

funding and pumping money into this

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00:08:37,509 --> 00:08:35,680

research that's critical for our nation

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00:08:39,029 --> 00:08:37,519

not just five years down the road but 50

208

00:08:42,469 --> 00:08:39,039

and 100 years down the road to stay on

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00:08:46,710 --> 00:08:44,550

the gentleman from alabama mr brooks is

210

00:08:49,590 --> 00:08:46,720

recognized

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00:08:51,750 --> 00:08:49,600

dr swanson commander weissmann hi i'm mo

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00:08:54,070 --> 00:08:51,760

brooks from alabama's fifth district the

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00:08:56,790 --> 00:08:54,080

home of the marshall space flight center

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00:08:59,190 --> 00:08:56,800

as a child i grew up feeling the ground

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00:09:00,310 --> 00:08:59,200

shake as the saturn v rocket was tested

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00:09:02,630 --> 00:09:00,320

nearby

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00:09:04,710 --> 00:09:02,640

and i vividly remember apollo 11 when

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00:09:07,509 --> 00:09:04,720

neil armstrong descended from the lunar

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00:09:10,150 --> 00:09:07,519

module declaring one small step for man

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00:09:11,990 --> 00:09:10,160

one giant leap for mankind

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00:09:14,630 --> 00:09:12,000

the apollo program was american

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00:09:17,910 --> 00:09:14,640

exceptionalism at its best it made us

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00:09:19,750 --> 00:09:17,920

all proud to be americans my question is

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00:09:22,389 --> 00:09:19,760

what mission should america's space

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00:09:28,630 --> 00:09:22,399

program next embark on to be the next

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00:09:31,750 --> 00:09:30,070

yes i believe

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00:09:33,590 --> 00:09:31,760

we should get ourselves to mars i know

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00:09:35,509 --> 00:09:33,600

it's a difficult road ahead to get there

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00:09:37,509 --> 00:09:35,519

but i believe we can do it and this is

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00:09:39,670 --> 00:09:37,519

one of the first blocks that we have to

231

00:09:42,389 --> 00:09:39,680

do is learn how to live in space and

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00:09:44,470 --> 00:09:42,399

recycle everything we need to from water

233

00:09:46,070 --> 00:09:44,480

air everything we need to do bring grow

234

00:09:47,430 --> 00:09:46,080

our own food all that kind of stuff so

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00:09:48,389 --> 00:09:47,440

we can reduce the amount of supplies

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00:09:50,550 --> 00:09:48,399

with us

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00:09:51,750 --> 00:09:50,560

create a robust system and right here

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00:09:53,110 --> 00:09:51,760

we're starting it off we probably have

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00:09:55,190 --> 00:09:53,120

to do a few other steps before we get

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00:09:58,710 --> 00:09:55,200

there but i think going to mars is our

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00:10:03,509 --> 00:10:00,949

the gentlewoman from massachusetts ms

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00:10:05,590 --> 00:10:03,519

clark is recognized

243

00:10:08,389 --> 00:10:05,600

thank you it is great to be here i have

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00:10:10,630 --> 00:10:08,399

some questions from the compass summer

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00:10:13,750 --> 00:10:10,640

program students in cambridge

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00:10:17,990 --> 00:10:13,760

massachusetts they submitted over 40

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00:10:24,150 --> 00:10:21,509

from dante how do you pack do you bring

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00:10:28,949 --> 00:10:24,160

a suitcase and what's the temperature

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00:10:31,829 --> 00:10:28,959

from chloe what fuel do you use to

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00:10:35,829 --> 00:10:31,839

to support the space shuttle and from

251  
00:10:41,430 --> 00:10:35,839  
luke has anyone had a birthday and if so

252  
00:10:44,949 --> 00:10:42,870  
okay so

253  
00:10:46,710 --> 00:10:44,959  
we pack in a very very small suitcase

254  
00:10:50,150 --> 00:10:46,720  
it's about that big we get about one and

255  
00:10:51,750 --> 00:10:50,160  
a half kilograms um the fuel that we use

256  
00:10:54,470 --> 00:10:51,760  
well for our rocket ship we basically

257  
00:10:56,310 --> 00:10:54,480  
use kerosene and oxygen to get up here

258  
00:10:58,150 --> 00:10:56,320  
and then once we're on the space station

259  
00:10:59,670 --> 00:10:58,160  
we have a hypergolic fuel mix that we

260  
00:11:02,310 --> 00:10:59,680  
use to keep us here but we don't have to

261  
00:11:03,910 --> 00:11:02,320  
burn our engines very often and then we

262  
00:11:06,069 --> 00:11:03,920  
did have a russian crewmate who had a

263  
00:11:07,829 --> 00:11:06,079

birthday and right behind the camera we

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00:11:09,910 --> 00:11:07,839

have a dinner table there

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00:11:13,269 --> 00:11:09,920

in node one and we all gather around

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00:11:16,550 --> 00:11:13,279

that table all six of us and we share

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00:11:18,230 --> 00:11:16,560

u.s food european food russian food

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00:11:20,470 --> 00:11:18,240

some of our juices

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00:11:22,470 --> 00:11:20,480

some of the russian teas are very nice

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00:11:24,230 --> 00:11:22,480

and we just joined together and have a

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00:11:25,750 --> 00:11:24,240

really a really great evening

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00:11:28,870 --> 00:11:25,760

unfortunately i don't think there were

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00:11:30,790 --> 00:11:28,880

any presents to unwrap but sasha

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00:11:34,230 --> 00:11:30,800

i think he was happy enough so it was a

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00:11:37,990 --> 00:11:36,069

the gentleman from florida mr posey is

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00:11:40,389 --> 00:11:38,000

recognized

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00:11:42,230 --> 00:11:40,399

dr swanson and commander wiseman

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00:11:44,550 --> 00:11:42,240

sometimes it's hard for americans to

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00:11:46,150 --> 00:11:44,560

understand why human space exploration

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00:11:48,310 --> 00:11:46,160

is so important

281

00:11:49,910 --> 00:11:48,320

can you take a moment to explain

282

00:11:51,750 --> 00:11:49,920

how the work you're doing now on the

283

00:11:57,750 --> 00:11:51,760

international space station benefits

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00:12:01,110 --> 00:11:59,190

i think there's a few different ways to

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00:12:04,150 --> 00:12:01,120

look at that question one we are doing

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00:12:07,430 --> 00:12:04,160

research right now uh on our scientific

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00:12:09,590 --> 00:12:07,440

aspect we do from burning new ways to

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00:12:12,230 --> 00:12:09,600

learn how actual fire works in the

289

00:12:14,389 --> 00:12:12,240

details part of it we do medical

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00:12:16,230 --> 00:12:14,399

research up here we've just

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00:12:19,269 --> 00:12:16,240

through station research we've come up

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00:12:21,110 --> 00:12:19,279

with ways to get chemotherapy to the

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00:12:22,230 --> 00:12:21,120

target areas of the body more

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00:12:24,310 --> 00:12:22,240

effectively

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00:12:26,790 --> 00:12:24,320

just one of an example the other thing

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00:12:29,030 --> 00:12:26,800

you have a look at is is that humans are

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00:12:31,350 --> 00:12:29,040

meant to explore i believe and this is

298

00:12:33,190 --> 00:12:31,360

one path that we need to take and now

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00:12:35,110 --> 00:12:33,200

we're starting off and this fulfills

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00:12:36,870 --> 00:12:35,120

that idea i think for our just not just

301  
00:12:39,110 --> 00:12:36,880  
the whole race of humans and that's one

302  
00:12:40,310 --> 00:12:39,120  
thing we need to do and the other aspect

303  
00:12:42,389 --> 00:12:40,320  
i believe this is a really good

304  
00:12:43,990 --> 00:12:42,399  
investment a lot of spin-off

305  
00:12:46,389 --> 00:12:44,000  
technologies come out of this it creates

306  
00:12:49,110 --> 00:12:46,399  
uh economy uh sorry it's good for the

307  
00:12:50,710 --> 00:12:49,120  
economy it creates money for our country

308  
00:12:53,750 --> 00:12:50,720  
and it creates a better world for all of

309  
00:12:57,190 --> 00:12:55,509  
the gentleman from washington mr kilmer

310  
00:12:58,710 --> 00:12:57,200  
is recognized

311  
00:13:00,629 --> 00:12:58,720  
thank you mr chairman and thank you for

312  
00:13:03,110 --> 00:13:00,639  
being with us um

313  
00:13:06,310 --> 00:13:03,120

i have two quick questions that came

314

00:13:07,190 --> 00:13:06,320

from the young gentleman behind me uh

315

00:13:09,430 --> 00:13:07,200

here

316

00:13:12,310 --> 00:13:09,440

uh uh one is just trying to get a sense

317

00:13:15,910 --> 00:13:12,320

uh more of uh of how the space station

318

00:13:18,710 --> 00:13:15,920

plays into um the effort to go to mars

319

00:13:20,310 --> 00:13:18,720

and a little bit more specific about uh

320

00:13:22,470 --> 00:13:20,320

what what the utility is of the space

321

00:13:23,269 --> 00:13:22,480

station then he also wants to know

322

00:13:26,470 --> 00:13:23,279

um

323

00:13:27,190 --> 00:13:26,480

uh as we look out into uh this century

324

00:13:29,509 --> 00:13:27,200

uh

325

00:13:31,350 --> 00:13:29,519

what's what's on the horizon what what

326

00:13:33,190 --> 00:13:31,360

other new frontiers do you think we're

327

00:13:34,710 --> 00:13:33,200

going to to visit and he also wants to

328

00:13:36,550 --> 00:13:34,720

know how many other planets are we going

329

00:13:37,590 --> 00:13:36,560

to discover

330

00:13:38,949 --> 00:13:37,600

is that right

331

00:13:40,790 --> 00:13:38,959

all right

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00:13:42,949 --> 00:13:40,800

well let's start with the let's start

333

00:13:45,110 --> 00:13:42,959

with the end question how many planets

334

00:13:47,030 --> 00:13:45,120

limitless it just depends on how how

335

00:13:48,949 --> 00:13:47,040

good our sensors get in our lifetimes as

336

00:13:50,629 --> 00:13:48,959

to how many we're going to discover

337

00:13:52,470 --> 00:13:50,639

perhaps every time you look up at night

338

00:13:54,710 --> 00:13:52,480

at any star you got to think there's a

339

00:13:57,189 --> 00:13:54,720

solar system around that star so

340

00:13:58,790 --> 00:13:57,199

it just blows my mind i know

341

00:14:01,189 --> 00:13:58,800

for the space station and how does this

342

00:14:02,870 --> 00:14:01,199

play into our long duration missions if

343

00:14:05,509 --> 00:14:02,880

we're going to go to mars we're going to

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00:14:07,670 --> 00:14:05,519

set out on a three plus year journey and

345

00:14:09,590 --> 00:14:07,680

if you have one major system break

346

00:14:11,350 --> 00:14:09,600

without spares on that journey and that

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00:14:13,350 --> 00:14:11,360

could be your own human body your heart

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00:14:15,350 --> 00:14:13,360

your muscles your bones that could be

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00:14:17,670 --> 00:14:15,360

your environmental control system that

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00:14:19,430 --> 00:14:17,680

could be your engines your solar arrays

351  
00:14:21,110 --> 00:14:19,440  
any piece of that puzzle falls apart and

352  
00:14:23,350 --> 00:14:21,120  
now you've lost your your mission to

353  
00:14:24,550 --> 00:14:23,360  
mars so this is the test bed this is

354  
00:14:26,069 --> 00:14:24,560  
where we start

355  
00:14:28,389 --> 00:14:26,079  
the the fundamental blocking and

356  
00:14:30,710 --> 00:14:28,399  
tackling of this challenge to get to

357  
00:14:32,150 --> 00:14:30,720  
mars and i think that research is being

358  
00:14:34,629 --> 00:14:32,160  
done right now and we're seeing very

359  
00:14:36,949 --> 00:14:34,639  
successful results our water balance is

360  
00:14:39,750 --> 00:14:36,959  
almost at 90 percent so we recycle our

361  
00:14:41,750 --> 00:14:39,760  
urine into drinking water we recycle

362  
00:14:43,750 --> 00:14:41,760  
water into oxygen we have a really

363  
00:14:45,269 --> 00:14:43,760

amazing regenerative system up here and

364

00:14:46,710 --> 00:14:45,279

it's proving extremely effective and

365

00:14:53,430 --> 00:14:46,720

we're working on reliability that's

366

00:14:59,269 --> 00:14:55,350

and i hope that covers enough of your

367

00:15:05,189 --> 00:15:02,550

the gentleman from texas mr stockman

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00:15:07,350 --> 00:15:05,199

thank you for uh having this broadcast

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00:15:09,509 --> 00:15:07,360

today as you're my constituents i

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00:15:11,750 --> 00:15:09,519

appreciate what you're doing i'm also

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00:15:14,470 --> 00:15:11,760

proud of our country and our support of

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00:15:16,710 --> 00:15:14,480

you but some of you

373

00:15:19,189 --> 00:15:16,720

may know that up here it's not universal

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00:15:21,189 --> 00:15:19,199

support which i think is a mistake and

375

00:15:23,189 --> 00:15:21,199

what would you if you were me what would

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00:15:25,990 --> 00:15:23,199

you tell my colleagues

377

00:15:29,110 --> 00:15:26,000

why they should be supportive of your

378

00:15:30,389 --> 00:15:29,120

efforts and why we should vote three

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00:15:32,389 --> 00:15:30,399

times the amount of money that we're

380

00:15:33,110 --> 00:15:32,399

supporting right now

381

00:15:37,509 --> 00:15:33,120

or

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00:15:41,590 --> 00:15:39,189

i would be happy with twice but that's a

383

00:15:42,870 --> 00:15:41,600

good question um that's a really good

384

00:15:44,710 --> 00:15:42,880

question really because again it goes

385

00:15:46,870 --> 00:15:44,720

back to what do we provide for our the

386

00:15:48,790 --> 00:15:46,880

taxpayer and i do think we one we

387

00:15:50,470 --> 00:15:48,800

provide research and development

388

00:15:52,949 --> 00:15:50,480

that's what we get out of this we get

389

00:15:54,949 --> 00:15:52,959

new products new ideas new science new

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00:15:56,790 --> 00:15:54,959

research which always helps the country

391

00:15:58,389 --> 00:15:56,800

in the future maybe 10 15 years down the

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00:16:00,150 --> 00:15:58,399

road and again that creates new

393

00:16:02,470 --> 00:16:00,160

companies which does again goes better

394

00:16:04,230 --> 00:16:02,480

for the economy we get that we inspire

395

00:16:06,150 --> 00:16:04,240

the new generation which hopefully gets

396

00:16:08,150 --> 00:16:06,160

them to be productive and help out and

397

00:16:09,749 --> 00:16:08,160

make our country stronger and we then

398

00:16:11,509 --> 00:16:09,759

are explorers which again help the whole

399

00:16:14,870 --> 00:16:11,519

human race i would try to go with those

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00:16:18,230 --> 00:16:16,310

the gentleman from california mr

401  
00:16:19,430 --> 00:16:18,240  
swahwell

402  
00:16:21,590 --> 00:16:19,440  
hello and

403  
00:16:23,670 --> 00:16:21,600  
my questions today come from the bay

404  
00:16:25,829 --> 00:16:23,680  
area and i have three young aspiring

405  
00:16:27,910 --> 00:16:25,839  
astronauts uh with questions uh shay

406  
00:16:30,150 --> 00:16:27,920  
daley of san ramon

407  
00:16:32,949 --> 00:16:30,160  
phoebe bruns of castro valley

408  
00:16:35,189 --> 00:16:32,959  
and julia warren of castro valley and

409  
00:16:36,949 --> 00:16:35,199  
the first question is an easy one for

410  
00:16:39,269 --> 00:16:36,959  
commander wiseman and that is what is

411  
00:16:41,110 --> 00:16:39,279  
your favorite food in space

412  
00:16:42,550 --> 00:16:41,120  
and also for

413  
00:16:43,829 --> 00:16:42,560

dr swanson

414

00:16:45,430 --> 00:16:43,839

the question is

415

00:16:48,829 --> 00:16:45,440

do you think one day we'll encounter

416

00:16:55,189 --> 00:16:52,550

planet go first okay i i am uh i'm a

417

00:16:56,949 --> 00:16:55,199

food lover and uh but there is one

418

00:16:59,430 --> 00:16:56,959

particular food that they know when they

419

00:17:01,430 --> 00:16:59,440

open the desserts box uh all chocolate

420

00:17:04,470 --> 00:17:01,440

pudding cake goes directly to reed

421

00:17:05,990 --> 00:17:04,480

wiseman's uh locker and so i am hoarding

422

00:17:08,069 --> 00:17:06,000

chocolate pudding cake i cannot get

423

00:17:09,350 --> 00:17:08,079

enough of this stuff i tried it on earth

424

00:17:10,789 --> 00:17:09,360

and i didn't really like it that much

425

00:17:12,949 --> 00:17:10,799

but there's something about this cake up

426

00:17:14,630 --> 00:17:12,959

here that i uh i'm in love with so i'll

427

00:17:16,789 --> 00:17:14,640

pass it over to dr swanson for the

428

00:17:18,870 --> 00:17:16,799

follow on

429

00:17:21,590 --> 00:17:18,880

for the follow-on question i have to say

430

00:17:24,069 --> 00:17:21,600

yes i mean that's just that uh endless

431

00:17:25,510 --> 00:17:24,079

as as reid pointed out as you look up

432

00:17:27,909 --> 00:17:25,520

there's so many solar systems out there

433

00:17:29,750 --> 00:17:27,919

so many planets so many possibilities i

434

00:17:33,750 --> 00:17:29,760

figure that it just has to be somewhere

435

00:17:34,950 --> 00:17:33,760

and sometime it will happen absolutely

436

00:17:36,789 --> 00:17:34,960

absolutely

437

00:17:39,350 --> 00:17:36,799

the gentleman from arizona mr schweikert

438

00:17:41,430 --> 00:17:39,360

is recognized thank you mr chairman and

439

00:17:43,590 --> 00:17:41,440

a texan on my staff wants me to say

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00:17:46,549 --> 00:17:43,600

howdy

441

00:17:49,029 --> 00:17:46,559

um and your experience so far what have

442

00:17:50,789 --> 00:17:49,039

you found that has surprised you on

443

00:17:52,950 --> 00:17:50,799

what's robust

444

00:17:55,350 --> 00:17:52,960

um has held up

445

00:17:58,390 --> 00:17:55,360

quite well on the space station and what

446

00:18:00,070 --> 00:17:58,400

have you found that is fragile that you

447

00:18:05,190 --> 00:18:00,080

see we're going to have to do future

448

00:18:08,950 --> 00:18:07,990

yeah so i would lead that off uh sir

449

00:18:10,789 --> 00:18:08,960

with

450

00:18:13,110 --> 00:18:10,799

this is my first space flight and i've

451  
00:18:16,310 --> 00:18:13,120  
known the space station uh for many many

452  
00:18:18,310 --> 00:18:16,320  
years uh we're into our 5 000 plus day

453  
00:18:19,909 --> 00:18:18,320  
of ops up here and one of the first

454  
00:18:23,110 --> 00:18:19,919  
things that struck me when i arrived is

455  
00:18:25,750 --> 00:18:23,120  
i expected to see an aging system i

456  
00:18:27,430 --> 00:18:25,760  
expected uh it to be well i don't know

457  
00:18:29,430 --> 00:18:27,440  
from the tv maybe it does look messy to

458  
00:18:30,870 --> 00:18:29,440  
you but every one of these wires has a

459  
00:18:33,350 --> 00:18:30,880  
purpose and when i got up here i

460  
00:18:35,830 --> 00:18:33,360  
realized this is a brilliant laboratory

461  
00:18:38,549 --> 00:18:35,840  
it's in overall amazing shape it's been

462  
00:18:39,990 --> 00:18:38,559  
very well cared for and i think it's

463  
00:18:41,350 --> 00:18:40,000

basically a testament to the engineering

464

00:18:43,110 --> 00:18:41,360

that went in the robustness of the

465

00:18:44,870 --> 00:18:43,120

design that here we've been operating

466

00:18:47,430 --> 00:18:44,880

5000 days and this thing really looks

467

00:18:49,830 --> 00:18:47,440

like a brand new machine up here uh very

468

00:18:51,510 --> 00:18:49,840

impressive to me from from that aspect

469

00:18:53,270 --> 00:18:51,520

some things that aren't quite as

470

00:18:55,510 --> 00:18:53,280

reliable the things that have surprised

471

00:18:57,909 --> 00:18:55,520

me a little bit is you really get to see

472

00:18:59,909 --> 00:18:57,919

how quickly technology on earth develops

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00:19:02,470 --> 00:18:59,919

when you come up here this was developed

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00:19:04,870 --> 00:19:02,480

in the 80s and 90s and

475

00:19:06,390 --> 00:19:04,880

and really you do see ethernet cables

476  
00:19:07,830 --> 00:19:06,400  
running all around the outside because

477  
00:19:09,750 --> 00:19:07,840  
we didn't necessarily have that

478  
00:19:11,990 --> 00:19:09,760  
technology when they built it we just

479  
00:19:13,830 --> 00:19:12,000  
flew up some tablets and i mean there's

480  
00:19:15,909 --> 00:19:13,840  
a device that that

481  
00:19:18,070 --> 00:19:15,919  
a year ago i hardly even knew and now at

482  
00:19:19,909 --> 00:19:18,080  
home i can barely live without and so

483  
00:19:21,590 --> 00:19:19,919  
just building on these technologies as

484  
00:19:22,870 --> 00:19:21,600  
we go over time has been somewhat of a

485  
00:19:24,950 --> 00:19:22,880  
surprise you can kind of see the

486  
00:19:26,470 --> 00:19:24,960  
evolution of technology up here and so

487  
00:19:27,990 --> 00:19:26,480  
that's something in future designs i

488  
00:19:31,510 --> 00:19:28,000

don't even know how you account for that

489

00:19:34,870 --> 00:19:33,590

the gentlewoman from connectedness sd is

490

00:19:35,830 --> 00:19:34,880

recognized probably for the last

491

00:19:37,430 --> 00:19:35,840

question

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00:19:39,029 --> 00:19:37,440

thank you mr chairman the students of

493

00:19:41,110 --> 00:19:39,039

waterbury connecticut home of rick

494

00:19:42,710 --> 00:19:41,120

mastracchio want to know what they can

495

00:19:47,350 --> 00:19:42,720

best do to become astronauts of the

496

00:19:50,150 --> 00:19:49,190

well of course it always goes with study

497

00:19:51,830 --> 00:19:50,160

hard

498

00:19:53,510 --> 00:19:51,840

you have to do well in school that's a

499

00:19:55,990 --> 00:19:53,520

given and also it's find something that

500

00:19:57,430 --> 00:19:56,000

you're really passionate about in life

501  
00:19:59,430 --> 00:19:57,440  
of course it helps if it's science and

502  
00:20:01,590 --> 00:19:59,440  
technology or engineering to get this

503  
00:20:03,990 --> 00:20:01,600  
job but you find an area in there that

504  
00:20:06,149 --> 00:20:04,000  
you're passionate about do it well

505  
00:20:07,430 --> 00:20:06,159  
enjoy it and that will show when you go

506  
00:20:08,470 --> 00:20:07,440  
and try to become an astronaut and

507  
00:20:09,590 --> 00:20:08,480  
that's what they're really looking for

508  
00:20:14,149 --> 00:20:09,600  
somebody who's passionate about the

509  
00:20:17,350 --> 00:20:15,669  
unfortunately we are out of time the

510  
00:20:19,430 --> 00:20:17,360  
astronauts are out of time we want to

511  
00:20:21,430 --> 00:20:19,440  
thank you both for spending

512  
00:20:22,950 --> 00:20:21,440  
20 minutes with us today appreciate all

513  
00:20:25,190 --> 00:20:22,960

your answers to the questions we look