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NASA ASTRONAUT

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00:00:05,538 --> 00:00:06,106
>> I LOVE IT,

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00:00:06,106 --> 00:00:06,573
AND IT DOESN'T MATTER

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00:00:06,573 --> 00:00:07,107
WHAT I'M FLYING,

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00:00:07,107 --> 00:00:08,208
A HELICOPTER, AN AIRPLANE,

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00:00:08,208 --> 00:00:12,379
IT'S JUST INCREDIBLE.

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00:00:12,379 --> 00:00:13,480
THE VIEWS WE GET ARE GREAT,

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00:00:13,480 --> 00:00:14,647
THE SENSATIONS YOU HAVE.

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00:00:14,647 --> 00:00:15,815
HELICOPTER FLYING, TO ME,

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00:00:15,815 --> 00:00:17,083
IS-IS REALLY A LOT OF FUN,

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00:00:17,083 --> 00:00:17,851
'CAUSE GENERALLY,

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00:00:17,851 --> 00:00:18,818
WE'RE DOWN IN THE TREES,

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00:00:18,818 --> 00:00:20,220
IT'S VERY CHALLENGING.

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00:00:20,220 --> 00:00:21,321

AND, UH, NOW LEARNING TO

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00:00:21,321 --> 00:00:22,989

FLY JETS AROUND HERE AT NASA'S

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00:00:22,989 --> 00:00:24,124

BEEN PRETTY INCREDIBLE, TOO.

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00:00:24,124 --> 00:00:25,058

YOU HAD TO HANG UP

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00:00:25,058 --> 00:00:26,259

THE HELICOPTER KEYS, BUT, UH,

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00:00:26,259 --> 00:00:27,227

PULLED OUT SOME JET KEYS

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00:00:27,227 --> 00:00:28,395

AND IT'S PRETTY NICE.

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00:00:28,395 --> 00:00:29,095

I'D ALWAYS WANTED TO

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00:00:29,095 --> 00:00:29,462

BE AN ASTRONAUT,

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00:00:29,462 --> 00:00:30,897

EVER SINCE I WAS A LITTLE KID.

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00:00:30,897 --> 00:00:31,865

MY GRANDPARENTS LIVED

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00:00:31,865 --> 00:00:32,699

IN TITUSVILLE

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00:00:32,699 --> 00:00:33,299

RIGHT ACROSS FROM

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00:00:33,299 --> 00:00:34,167

THE KENNEDY SPACE CENTER

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00:00:34,167 --> 00:00:35,001

IN FLORIDA, SO I SPENT

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00:00:35,001 --> 00:00:35,835

A LOT OF TIME DOWN THERE

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00:00:35,835 --> 00:00:36,903

AS A SMALL CHILD.

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00:00:36,903 --> 00:00:38,238

>> IGNITION SEQUENCE START.

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00:00:38,238 --> 00:00:39,105

>> MY GRANDFATHER WAS REALLY

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00:00:39,105 --> 00:00:40,340

THE INSPIRATION BEHIND ALL THIS

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00:00:40,340 --> 00:00:41,274

'CAUSE HE WOULD DRAG ME OUT

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00:00:41,274 --> 00:00:42,909

TO SEE ANYTHING LAUNCHING.

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00:00:42,909 --> 00:00:43,710

>> LAUNCH COMMENCE.

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00:00:46,346 --> 00:00:44,544

LIFTOFF!

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00:00:54,921 --> 00:00:55,522

>> FOR WHATEVER REASON,

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00:00:55,522 --> 00:00:57,023

IT KINDA STUCK IN MY BLOOD.

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00:00:57,023 --> 00:00:57,991
THE IRONIC THING IS WHEN

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00:00:57,991 --> 00:00:59,359
I DECIDED TO GO TO WESTPOINT,

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00:00:59,359 --> 00:01:00,627
I FIGURED THAT MY DREAM OF

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00:01:00,627 --> 00:01:01,628
BEING AN ASTRONAUT WAS GONE,

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00:01:01,628 --> 00:01:03,263
SO I KINDA GAVE UP ON IT

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00:01:03,263 --> 00:01:04,097
'CAUSE I DIDN'T REALIZE

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00:01:04,097 --> 00:01:05,064
YOU COULD BE IN THE ARMY

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00:01:05,064 --> 00:01:06,199
AND BE AN ASTRONAUT,

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00:01:06,199 --> 00:01:08,601
BUT IT TURNS OUT YOU CAN, SO.

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00:01:08,601 --> 00:01:09,803
BACK IN 2008,

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00:01:09,803 --> 00:01:11,838
I FLEW ON STS-126.

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00:01:11,838 --> 00:01:12,539
WE WERE KIND OF

51
00:01:12,539 --> 00:01:13,907
A RE-SUPPLY MISSION.

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00:01:13,907 --> 00:01:14,974
SO THEY CALLED OUR MISSION,

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00:01:14,974 --> 00:01:15,675
ACTUALLY, THE EXTREME

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00:01:15,675 --> 00:01:16,709
HOME MAKEOVER MISSION

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00:01:16,709 --> 00:01:17,710
FOR THE SPACE STATION.

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00:01:17,710 --> 00:01:18,945
WE GOT A CHANCE TO BRING UP

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00:01:18,945 --> 00:01:20,413
NEW BEDROOMS, A NEW BATHROOM,

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00:01:20,413 --> 00:01:22,215
A NEW KITCHEN, A NEW GYM.

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00:01:22,215 --> 00:01:23,450
REALLY OUTFIT THE STATION

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00:01:23,450 --> 00:01:24,784
TO BE ABLE TO SUPPORT

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00:01:24,784 --> 00:01:26,019
MORE THAN THREE CREW MEMBERS,

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00:01:26,019 --> 00:01:27,120
SO THAT WAS PRETTY COOL

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00:01:27,120 --> 00:01:28,021

TO BE A PART OF THAT

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00:01:28,021 --> 00:01:28,922

AND THEN TO GO BACK

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00:01:28,922 --> 00:01:29,856

A FEW YEARS LATER

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00:01:29,856 --> 00:01:31,791

IN 2016 AND 2017

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00:01:31,791 --> 00:01:33,726

WHEN I FLEW ON THE SOYUZ.

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00:01:33,726 --> 00:01:34,260

THAT WAS AN INCREDIBLE

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00:01:34,260 --> 00:01:35,161

TIME UP THERE.

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00:01:35,161 --> 00:01:36,262

THE LONG DURATION PIECE

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00:01:36,262 --> 00:01:37,297

IS OBVIOUSLY A LOT DIFFERENT

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00:01:37,297 --> 00:01:38,331

THAN THE SHUTTLE,

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00:01:38,331 --> 00:01:39,232

COUPLE WEEK MISSION.

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00:01:39,232 --> 00:01:40,200

THERE'S A DIFFERENCE CADENCE,

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00:01:40,200 --> 00:01:40,867

A DIFFERENT RHYTHM

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00:01:40,867 --> 00:01:42,202

YOU HAVE TO GET INTO.

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00:01:42,202 --> 00:01:43,470

UM, MORE OF A MARATHON PACE

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00:01:43,470 --> 00:01:47,240

VERSUS A SPRINT PACE.

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00:01:47,240 --> 00:01:48,808

SPACE SHUTTLE FOR ME WAS,

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00:01:48,808 --> 00:01:49,375

YOU'RE KIND OF

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00:01:49,375 --> 00:01:49,943

ROCKIN' AND ROLLIN'

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00:01:49,943 --> 00:01:50,810

FOR THE FIRST COUPLE MINUTES

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00:01:50,810 --> 00:01:51,311

WHILE THE SOLID

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00:01:51,311 --> 00:01:52,979

ROCKET BOOSTERS ARE ON.

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00:01:52,979 --> 00:01:54,147

AND THEN IT SMOOTHS OUT

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00:01:54,147 --> 00:01:55,915

AND IT'S PURE EXHILARATION.

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00:01:55,915 --> 00:01:57,183

THE LANDING, COMING BACK IN

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00:01:57,183 --> 00:01:57,851

IS SUPER SMOOTH

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00:01:57,851 --> 00:01:58,418

'CAUSE YOU'RE LANDING

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00:01:58,418 --> 00:01:59,686

ON A RUNWAY.

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00:01:59,686 --> 00:02:00,520

AND SOYUZ TO ME

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00:02:00,520 --> 00:02:01,488

WAS KIND OF THE OPPOSITE.

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00:02:01,488 --> 00:02:02,555

IT WAS A REALLY SMOOTH

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00:02:02,555 --> 00:02:03,356

RIDE UPHILL,

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00:02:03,356 --> 00:02:04,524

BUT COMING BACK WAS

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00:02:04,524 --> 00:02:06,059

REALLY VIOLENT AND, UH,

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00:02:06,059 --> 00:02:07,360

PRETTY INCREDIBLE THAT WE, UH,

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00:02:07,360 --> 00:02:08,061

MADE IT THROUGH THAT,

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00:02:08,061 --> 00:02:08,795

BUT, UH, THEY'VE BEEN DOING IT

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00:02:08,795 --> 00:02:10,396

FOR MANY, MANY YEARS

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00:02:10,396 --> 00:02:11,798
AND, UH, A PROVEN PRODUCT

102
00:02:11,798 --> 00:02:15,134
FOR SURE.

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00:02:15,134 --> 00:02:16,102
WE DO THINGS DIFFERENTLY

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00:02:16,102 --> 00:02:16,903
DOWN IN FLORIDA NOW

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00:02:16,903 --> 00:02:17,737
THAN WE DID FOR SHUTTLE.

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00:02:17,737 --> 00:02:18,271
SO, IT WAS JUST

107
00:02:18,271 --> 00:02:19,672
A WHOLE DIFFERENT WORLD.

108
00:02:19,672 --> 00:02:20,940
WE KIND OF BLENDED

109
00:02:20,940 --> 00:02:22,041
I WOULD SAY THE BEST THINGS

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00:02:22,041 --> 00:02:23,076
FROM SHUTTLE

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00:02:23,076 --> 00:02:23,910
DURING QUARANTINE

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00:02:23,910 --> 00:02:25,245
AND LAUNCH DAY OPERATIONS

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00:02:25,245 --> 00:02:26,513

AND THE BEST THINGS FROM SOYUZ

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00:02:26,513 --> 00:02:27,080

THAT WE'VE LEARNED

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00:02:27,080 --> 00:02:28,181

OVER THE YEARS.

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00:02:28,181 --> 00:02:28,748

AND KIND OF NOW,

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00:02:28,748 --> 00:02:29,782

WE HAVE A HYBRID OF THOSE

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00:02:29,782 --> 00:02:30,850

REALLY GOOD THINGS

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00:02:30,850 --> 00:02:32,685

ON LAUNCH DAY ESPECIALLY.

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00:02:32,685 --> 00:02:33,953

I'M REALLY EXCITED ABOUT IT.

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00:02:33,953 --> 00:02:35,154

UH, I LOVE, UH,

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00:02:35,154 --> 00:02:36,322

THE KENNEDY SPACE CENTER

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00:02:36,322 --> 00:02:37,423

AND ALL THE TEAMS DOWN THERE

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00:02:37,423 --> 00:02:38,658

THAT I'VE GOTTEN TO WORK WITH.

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00:02:38,658 --> 00:02:39,659

I LOVE IT FOR OUR COUNTRY,

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00:02:39,659 --> 00:02:40,994

OUR NATION, THAT WE'RE LAUNCHING

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00:02:40,994 --> 00:02:41,861

OUT OF THE U.S. AGAIN.

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00:02:41,861 --> 00:02:42,829

IT'S A GREAT CAPABILITY

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00:02:42,829 --> 00:02:43,596

THAT WE HAVE.

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00:02:43,596 --> 00:02:44,497

AND JUST HAPPY TO BE

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00:02:44,497 --> 00:02:46,533

DOING IT AGAIN OUT OF FLORIDA.

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00:02:46,533 --> 00:02:47,767

MY NAME IS SHANE KIMBROUGH.

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00:02:47,767 --> 00:02:49,068

I AM THE COMMANDER OF