



**Office of the Governor
State of Missouri**

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) is celebrating its 50th anniversary of space exploration, scientific discovery and research; and

WHEREAS, NASA is now nearing the completion of the International Space Station and retiring the space shuttle fleet, while looking forward to the next generation of spacecraft that will continue exploration; and

WHEREAS, Missouri is a leader in this mission with extensive involvement from our academic community an commercial and private sectors; and

WHEREAS, space related business located in Missouri provides millions of dollars in direct contracts from NASA funding;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Matt Blunt, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, do hereby recognize and commend the

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, this 17th day of March, 2008.





Governor

Attest:


Secretary of State