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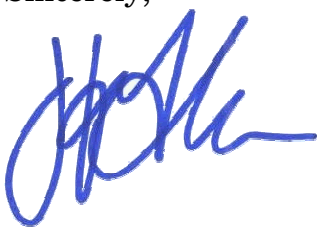
Dear Spacerunners:

Congratulations on earning the unique opportunity to speak with crewmembers currently on board the International Space Station! What an exciting chance for you to find out what it's like to be an astronaut. You came up with some great questions. I'm sure you had a blast! (Just a little space humor for you.)

We're living in an exciting time for space exploration. In the 21st century, the possibilities for space travel will be endless. Someone from your class could be the first man or woman on Mars or the first person to travel beyond our galaxy. But we'll need more than just astronauts to fuel our space programs – we'll need engineers to design and build shuttles, physicists to make them work, and astronomers to discover new destinations to explore.

So, as you listened to Expedition 13 Flight Engineer Jeff Williams talk about his experiences, just think – that could be you some day!

Sincerely,



Jennifer M. Granholm
Governor