

ALABAMA SPACE AUTHORITY
Honoring Jody Singer on the occasion of her retirement as
Director of Marshall Space Flight Center
August 3, 2023

WHEREAS, Director Jody Singer, is a native of Hartselle, AL, and a resident of Huntsville, AL; and

WHEREAS, Director Singer earned a bachelor's degree in industrial engineering from the University of Alabama in 1983; and

WHEREAS, Director Singer had an extraordinary 38 year career at NASA, beginning as an intern in the mission planning and development office and culminating as Director of Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville, AL, one of the largest field centers in the Agency; and

WHEREAS, Director Singer contributed to and earned leadership roles in every human space flight endeavor the Agency undertook during her tenure, including the Space Shuttle, Ares, and Space Launch System programs; and

WHEREAS, Director Singer was appointed as the first female Center Director of Marshall Space Flight Center in September 2018, after serving as Acting Center Director beginning in July 2018, and as Deputy Center Director from 2016-2018; and

WHEREAS, as of her retirement on July 29, 2023, Director Singer had led Marshall Space Flight Center in an exemplary fashion for five years; and

WHEREAS, during her time as Center Director, Director Singer oversaw the growth of the Center's influence in the areas of Lunar Lander development and nuclear propulsion; and

WHEREAS, Director Singer led the Center through a critical time as Artemis I demonstrated the first successful flight of the Space Launch System, which was developed at Marshall Space Flight Center; and

WHEREAS, Director Singer received numerous awards throughout her NASA career including the NASA Outstanding Leadership Medal; two Presidential Rank of Meritorious Executive Awards; the Space Flight Awareness Leadership Award; the NASA Exceptional Service Medal; and the Silver Snoopy Award from the NASA astronaut corps; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ALABAMA SPACE AUTHORITY, we commend Marshall Space Flight Center Director Jody Singer on the occasion of her retirement on July 29, 2023, and wish her, her husband Chris, and their three children and five grandchildren much joy in this new phase of life.