

Administration of Donald J. Trump, 2025

Message on the Sixth Birthday of the United States Space Force
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On December 20, 2019, I established the United States Space Force—America's Guardians of the High Frontier—as the sixth branch of our Armed Forces. Today our Nation thanks the incredible Guardians who serve with honor and distinction and protect our people, our homeland, and our glorious way of life beyond the bounds of Earth.

Since the dawn of space exploration, America has been the world leader in technology, innovation, and discovery. Every day, the heroic members of the Space Force carry out this legacy with precision and unrelenting expertise to ensure that the United States is always prepared to confront threats originating both on our planet and beyond our skies. Through their selfless service, Guardians solidify America's continued space superiority by deterring counterspace threats from our adversaries; delivering space capabilities like satellite communications, navigation, and missile defense, which empowers the greatest economy and military in the world; and ensuring safe and fair access to space for our American businesses and Armed Forces. From fortifying our economy to defending our homeland and strengthening our military, the Space Force is indispensable to our security, our sovereignty, and our beloved way of life.

By establishing the United States Space Force, my first administration took bold action to strengthen America's ability to compete, deter, and win in space. Today, with adversaries embarking on a relentless crusade to destroy American space capabilities with counterspace weaponry, the high frontier is emerging as the next domain in modern warfare. For this reason, America's Guardians and the civilian employees who support their mission play a crucial role in meeting these threats, including through the development and implementation of the Golden Dome, a cutting-edge missile defense shield to safeguard our citizens and infrastructure from aerial attack, which received federal funding from this year's historic "One Big Beautiful Bill." As a result of our strong leadership, enthusiasm to serve has surged, with the Space Force shattering expectations by meeting its annual recruiting goals 3 months early this summer. When America leads in space, America wins, and our military remains the strongest, most feared, and most lethal in every sphere of battle.

As Commander in Chief, I join the Nation in celebrating the sixth birthday of the United States Space Force. Our Guardians keep our country safe, strong, and free both on our shores and in the vast domain of space, and we offer our endless gratitude for their service and sacrifice.

Semper Supra!

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