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## John Glenn *Discovery* Ceremony Annotated Remarks

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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	National Air and Space Museum Archives
<b>Title:</b>	John Glenn <i>Discovery</i> Ceremony Annotated Remarks
<b>Date:</b>	2012
<b>Identifier:</b>	NASM.2023.0016
<b>Creator:</b>	Glenn, John Herschel, Jr., 1921-2016
<b>Extent:</b>	0.01 Cubic feet (One legal folder.)
<b>Language:</b>	English .
<b>Summary:</b>	This collection consists of two versions of John Glenn's <i>Discovery</i> ceremony annotated remarks, 2012.
<b>Digital Content:</b>	<a href="#">Image(s): John Glenn Discovery Ceremony Annotated Remarks</a>

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## Administrative Information

### Acquisition Information

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### Processing Information

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## Biographical / Historical

*Discovery* was the third Space Shuttle orbiter vehicle to fly in space. It entered service in 1984 and retired from spaceflight as the oldest and most accomplished orbiter, the champion of the shuttle fleet. *Discovery* flew on 39 Earth-orbital missions, spent a total of 365 days in space, and traveled almost 240 million kilometers (150 million miles)--more than the other orbiters. It shuttled 184 men and women into space and back, many of whom flew more than once, for a record-setting total crew count of 251. NASA transferred *Discovery* to the Smithsonian in April 2012 after a delivery flight over the nation's capital. During the Welcome *Discovery* Ceremony on April 19, 2012, *Discovery* was officially received by the Smithsonian and placed

on permanent display, replacing the shuttle Enterprise in the Udvar-Hazy Center. A featured speaker at the ceremony was former astronaut and senator, John Glenn.

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## Scope and Contents

This collection consists of two versions of John Glenn's *Discovery* ceremony annotated remarks; the first four pages appear to be a draft, and the last twelve pages appear to be his actual remarks.

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## Arrangement

One item.

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## Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:

- Astronautics
- Space Shuttles, Discovery (OV-103)
- Space flight