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May 17, 1965

Honeywell Incorporated
Aeronautical Division
2600 Ridgway Road
Minneapolis 40, Minnesota

Attention: Mr. W. T. Noll
Vice President and General Manager of Aeronautical Division


Dear Mr. Noll:

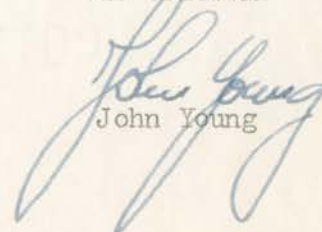
On the morning of March 23, 1965, a few minutes after 7 o'clock, we rode an elevator the 90 feet up the side of the Gemini-Titan II launch vehicle and entered our spacecraft "Molly Brown" for our first two-man mission into space. We had spent months of intensive training and a lot of people had spent years of hard work and extra effort to produce for us the best possible equipment. We were ready and so was GT-3.

It is extremely difficult to single out one piece of hardware or one supplier to throw bouquets to, but one thing we know for sure; those critical items, some fifty-four of them, installed in the booster, performed flawlessly. Such performance is an absolute necessity for success.

We believe that the man-rating and Zero Defects programs, practiced by Martin Company and Honeywell Incorporated, as a critical parts supplier, contributed immeasurably to our space venture. We also believe that all the "tender loving care" you put into the fabrication, assembly, and test of GT-3 has culminated in a launch that was an unqualified success.

May we extend our sincere appreciation to you and to all your people for your extra efforts and outstanding contributions. We know you realize that you are a very, very important part of our team. We also would like to ask your continued dedication to the production of perfect equipment. We are just beginning. Let's have the same and more on GT-4.


Gus Grissom


John Young