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September 29, 2015

Eileen Drake  
CEO and President  
Aerojet Rocketdyne  
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Dear Eileen:

On behalf of the board of directors of the Sacramento Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce and our 1,700 member businesses, located throughout Sacramento, Yolo, El Dorado, Placer, Sutter and Yuba counties, I am writing to recognize the 100th anniversary of Aerojet Rocketdyne Holdings, Inc., and the company's significant contribution to our region and our nation.

I understand that Aerojet Rocketdyne was founded as General Tire & Rubber Company in Akron, Ohio, on September 29, 1915 and has evolved over the past 10 decades to become an aerospace and defense industry leader with more than 5,000 employees in 10 states around the country in high-technology engineering and manufacturing fields.

Your involvement with the company's jet-assisted take-off units allowed military planes to launch from aircraft carriers during World War II, and today Aerojet Rocketdyne's products remain crucial to our national defense. At the heart of America's Space Age, the company helped transport Apollo 11 astronauts to the moon's surface and back in 1969 and was part of every space shuttle mission flown. Now, it is helping lead the journey to Mars – exciting indeed.

Over the last century, Aerojet Rocketdyne products and people have been closely involved in America's advancements in space and our country's development as a global superpower. Locally, Aerojet Rocketdyne has been a valued member of the Sacramento Metro Chamber since February 1, 1970 offering long term viable jobs within our regional economy.

Kudos to your success over the last 10 decades and congratulations to all Aerojet Rocketdyne employees and stakeholders on your 100th Anniversary!

Sincerely,  
  
Peter Tateishi  
President & CEO