

## **Opening Statement of Chairman Frank Lucas**

## Full Committee Hearing

Members' Day Hearing: House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology

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Good afternoon and welcome to the Science, Space, and Technology Committee's Members' Day hearing for the 118<sup>th</sup> Congress.

I want to thank our colleagues – both on the Committee and off – for joining us today. We appreciate your time and look forward to hearing your priorities under the Committee's jurisdiction, especially those issues that are important to your districts.

This Committee has a history of bipartisan consensus, dedicated to driving American scientific progress.

Whether it's supporting pioneering research and basic science at our national labs, promoting cutting edge technologies, or maintaining America's global leadership in space exploration, we are keen to foster meaningful advancements that will not only benefit us today, but the generations of tomorrow.

I look forward to continuing our priorities this Congress and welcome my colleagues' thoughts on these important topics today.

I now recognize the Ranking Member for her opening statement.