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Reply to Attn of: CB

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Sgt. First Class (Ret.) Dana Bowman
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Dear Sgt. Bowman:

On behalf of the Astronaut Office, I would like to sincerely thank you for your moving presentation to the astronaut corps. It was an honor to hear the poignant story of your skydiving accident, your valiant service to our country, and the remarkable triumphs you have successfully achieved in spite of your loss. Your resolve, commitment and strength are truly unsurpassed and inspirational. We were truly touched by your motivating talk.

“There is no chance, no fate, no destiny that can circumvent, or hinder, or control a firm resolve of a determined soul.”¹ Sgt. Bowman, we salute you!

Please find enclosed a Space Shuttle pin that was flown on STS-106 and its certificate of authenticity as well as a montage signed by the astronaut corps. We hope you enjoy these items as a token of our appreciation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kent V. Rominger".

Kent V. Rominger
Chief, Astronaut Office

¹ Author unknown