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40th SPACE CONGRESS SET FOR APRIL 28 – May 2, 2003

Annual event will celebrate the theme “Linking the Past to the Future” and recognize NASA’s 40th anniversary.

PORT CANAVERAL, FL -- November 26, 2002 – The Canaveral Council of Technical Societies (CCTS) today announced that the 40th Annual Space Congress is set for April 29 – May 1, 2003 at the Radisson Resort in Cape Canaveral, Florida. This annual event provides a forum for space professionals to meet and share their knowledge of technical areas and issues facing the space program.

This year’s Space Congress celebrates the rich history of the early space program and the exciting future advances that lie ahead as we continue expand our technology and knowledge – redefining space transportation and the frontiers of the universe. The 40th Space Congress marks several milestones recognizing the Kennedy Space Center which celebrates 40-years as a NASA Center, as well as the 100th anniversary of flight. The event will host four days of technical paper and panel sessions, exhibits, and commemorates space exploration with the theme “Linking the Past to the Future – a Celebration of Space.” This international conference, aimed primarily towards professionals in the business of space, is gathering a large portion of the aerospace community to discuss current and future space activities around the world. Panel sessions and paper presentations will address how the combined efforts of the scientific, commercial, military, and educational communities contribute to the growth of knowledge and understanding of space and to the well being of humankind around the world.

The General Chair for the 40th Space Congress is Kevin Hoshstrasser, Florida Operations Site Director of Engineering for The Boeing Company. “This is an exciting year for Space Congress as we celebrate several significant milestones,” comments Hoshstrasser. “The topics to be addressed by this year’s Congress will provide broad insight into government and civilian space initiatives, new technologies, and serve as the forum for professionals to share technical developments as well as discuss issues from a global perspective that face the space community at large.”

About Space Congress

The Canaveral Council of Technical Societies (CCTS) created Space Congress in 1962 to stimulate interest and promote professionalism in the space program. Space Congress is organized in cooperation with NASA, the Department of Defense, industry and academia. The annual event provides a forum for space professionals to meet and share their knowledge of technical areas and issues facing the space program. CCTS uses Space Congress proceeds to present annual achievement and technical awards, conduct an annual Career Night to expose local students to scientific, engineering and related careers, and to sponsor or support many local educational programs offered by schools and groups in the Space Coast area. For more information visit www.spacecongress.org or call 321-868-1623.