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Dr. William E. Thornton  
Delmar Engineering Co  
Los Angeles, Calif

Dear Dr. Thornton:

Sincere congratulations on being selected to join the men now engaged in the Astronaut program. May the training prove enjoyable and fullfilling.

My children asked me to enclose three envelopes for your signature at the upper left hand corner. They have been with the space program in a Philatelic sense since the first flight of Alan Shepard, procuring the autographs of their hero's.

In to-day's young generation with so many finding very little to occupy them, feel that their hobby has proven more than a tonic for their outlets, and has enabled them to improve their out-look on life and make them, I hope, far better citizens.

Sincerely

*James I. Molnar*  
M/Sgt James I. Molnar (Ret)

3 plain envelopes signed 25/8/67