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## City of Cape Canaveral Celebrates 60 Years

As the Space Program burgeoned, so did the population along the coastline of Brevard County. The small portion of land between Port Canaveral and the City of Cocoa Beach decided to incorporate. In late 1961 or early 1962, an election was held and 152 eligible voters cast their approval for incorporation against the 18 that opposed it. The name of the town was voted on and became known as the "Town of Cape Canaveral."

On June 2, 1962, the freeholders gathered again where the supportive vote for incorporation was now 205 with only 6 against. At this time, the town name, seal and limits were voted on. On May 16, 1963, the City Charter became law without the governor's signature, thus the City of Cape Canaveral was born.

In its 60-year history, it has been an important part of the rapidly expanding fields of aerospace and technology. It has become a world destination for travel but continues to provide that hometown feel. Residents and tourists alike feel welcomed in their walkable, bikeable community. It is just moments away from the Atlantic Ocean, Port Canaveral, Cape Canaveral Space Force Station and the Kennedy Space Center. It really is a paradise of sun, space and sea.

Thank you, City of Cape Canaveral, for being a vital part of Brevard County serving those who live and visit here. We join you in celebrating your 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Sincerely,

Tom Goodson  
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