

AIAA GHS August Luncheon with Congressman Mo Brooks – **August is for Aerospace** – on August 14th, 2019

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The AIAA Greater Huntsville Section conducts monthly lunch and learn session for its members, their guests and non-members. The section invites accomplished individuals to speak on topics that cater to the interest of AIAA members and non-members.

For the August luncheon of the AIAA GHS, the section wanted to stick to the “August is for Aerospace” theme. The “August is for Aerospace” theme is intended to provide an opportunity for AIAA members to meet their local congressional representatives and discuss key issues which span across the Aerospace and Defense Industry - 1) Funding Stability and Competitiveness, 2) R&D and Innovation, and 3) Workforce Development and Enhancement.

To facilitate this opportunity, we have invited Congressman Mo Brooks who provided a Washington Update. Congressman Brooks spoke about National Security, National Debt, Aerospace Programs, US Space Force, Climate change and many other interesting topics. He graciously answered questions of our members after the completion of his talk.

Kord Technologies of Huntsville, AL, graciously offered their meeting room as the venue for the luncheon. The luncheon was well attended with over 40 participants that included AIAA professional members, student members and non-members and Kord employees. Kathleen catering provided catering services for members who purchased lunch.



AIAA GHS Chair, Greg Simpson, presenting the section coin to Congressman Mo Brooks for his Lecture at the August Luncheon (Pic Courtesy – Arloe Mayne)



Attendees of the August Luncheon watch Congressman Mo Brooks as he delivers his speech (Pic Courtesy – Nishanth Goli)