more than 300,000 new jobs, more than New York, Los Angeles, or San Diego.

With the leadership of Congress, the American Museum of Natural History and NASA have forged a productive scientific and educational partnership that advances their shared goals of advancing science and scientific literacy nationwide. The National Center for Science Literacy, Education, and Technology was conceived by the Museum; approved, advanced, and funded by Congress; and sponsored by NASA. It is a model partnership of which we can all be proud.

Founded in 1869, the American Museum of Natural History is one of the nation’s preeminent science and education institutions. Throughout its history, its efforts have been directed to its twin missions: to examine critical scientific issues and increase public knowledge about them. Its rich scientific legacy includes an irreplaceable record of life on Earth.

I urge my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives to join me in congratulating the Lansing Board of Water and Light and to extend to its board of directors and staff our admiration for their service in the interest of the greater Lansing area, the State of Michigan, and their own community. We wish them well in their future endeavors.