



## A Message from Jeffrey Allison

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Dear SRS Patriots,

On this historic National Day of Remembrance, the U.S. Department of Energy is pleased to honor the best and brightest pioneers, present-day achievers, and future leaders of the Savannah River Site.

In its near 60-year existence, SRS has served as a major cornerstone of America's national defense infrastructure. During the Cold War era, SRS accomplished its mission of producing tritium and plutonium for the Nation's nuclear weapons stockpile safely and effectively.

Your work in support of nuclear security over these six decades has made important contributions to our national security. You helped end WWII, win the Cold War, and establish the U.S as a leader in science, technology and engineering. The SRS workforce continues in that tradition by providing the tools to tackle many of the challenges we face now.

Today, the Site's viable infrastructure, skilled workforce and strong congressional and community support are the vital components needed to fulfill its current national security mission and effective stewardship of our country's nuclear weapons stockpile, nuclear materials, and our environment.

We recognize that the successes SRS has enjoyed for decades are due in large part to the efforts and achievements of its predecessors who chartered significant scientific breakthroughs in the name of national security. Today we celebrate your legacy of service and recognize your contributions to keep America safe.

Undeniable gratitude is also bestowed to those Americans who gave up their homes and farms in 1950 for the ultimate sacrifice in the name of patriotism.

The work SRS employees have performed so safely and securely provide the solid foundation for meeting the challenging missions ahead and forging a bright future for decades to come.

It was hard work; it was pioneering work; it was patriotic work; it was critically important work. For that work, I add my deepest appreciation and respect to those also bestowed by your neighbors, your government, and your country.

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