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DOT AWARDS CEREMONY  
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At my swearing-in ceremony at the Air and Space Museum, I talked about what a tremendous staff we have at DOT. Now that I've been here seven months I've come to see 1,000 jobs well done. In today's ceremony we honor our outstanding colleagues, but each of you deserves praise.

- Haitian refugees...baby being delivered on Coast Guard Cutter
- Settled rail labor dispute
- In record time, developed first maritime policy reform in years
- Pushed for complete trucking deregulation
- Began implementation of the ISTEA
- Hurricane Andrew

All these historic achievements were made while the Coast Guard continued to save a life every 90 minutes, the FAA air traffic control personnel continued to handle 170,000 flight operations a day, our highway safety program continued to save 20,000 lives a year. Even as we speak, the FRA continues to keep our railroads safe; RSPA embraces new technology; FTA guides local transit authorities through the new flexibility procedures in ISTEA; cargo flows smoothly through the St. Lawrence Seaway; and the Office of Commercial Space nurtures transportation's youngest industry.

All of you are very much appreciated. Now, let's honor our outstanding colleagues. This is your day. We salute you.

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