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Dear Ms. Hernandez:

Thank you for the invitation to nominate candidates for the 2013 World Awards in Science and Arts. On behalf of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), it is my pleasure to submit the nomination of John C. Mather, NASA Goddard Space Flight Center, for the 2013 Albert Einstein World Award of Science.

Dr. Mather is an eminent astrophysicist and cosmologist whose work and leadership has led to major advances in the understanding of our origins and place in the universe. His signature work, for which he was awarded the Nobel Prize in Physics in 2006, was in pioneering observations of the relic background radiation left over from the Big Bang, which led to the resolution of fundamental questions on the nature of the universe. Currently, Dr. Mather is serving as the scientific lead for the James Webb Space Telescope (JWST), which when launched in 2018 will be the largest, most complex telescope ever launched into space. This technological marvel is designed to observe the formation of the first stars and galaxies a few hundred million years after the Big Bang and the atmospheres of Earth-like planets orbiting around other stars. It will provide a true leap forward in our ability to understand our origins and search for life beyond our solar system. The concept for the JWST mission was developed under Dr. Mather's leadership beginning in 1995, and he continues to provide top-level scientific leadership on every aspect of the project both nationally and internationally.

In addition to the Nobel Prize, Dr. Mather's achievements have been recognized with membership in the National Academy of Sciences and with numerous and wide-ranging awards. He is the author of many publications, including his book entitled "Very First Light," which was written along with John Boslough. He has given many public lectures to help the public understand his work and to inspire young people to be as excited about science as he has been. In 2007, Mather was listed among Time magazine's 100 Most Influential People in The World and most recently in 2011 listed among Time magazine's 25 most influential people in space.

Dr. Mather's outstanding work and leadership has provided a unique service by opening a window into space and avenues of discovery for both scientists and the public to access to a deeper understanding of space and astronomy and a higher appreciation for our place in the universe. Please accept this nomination of John Mather for the Albert Einstein World Award.

Sincerely,

Charles F. Bolden, Jr.

Administrator

Enclosures

Nomination of Dr John C. Mather for the "Albert Einstein" World Award of Science.

Dr John C. Mather (born August 7, 1946, Roanoke, Virginia) is an astrophysicist and cosmologist who has led and is leading projects that provide major advances in understanding of our origins. His signature work, for which he was awarded the Nobel Prize, was pioneering observations of the relic background radiation left over from the Big Bang which resolved a fundamental human question on the nature of the Universe. More recently Mather has been the science leader for the James Webb Space Telescope, which NASA plans to launch in 2018, a space based observatory that will observe the first galaxies forming a few hundreds of million years after the Big Bang, and will probe the atmosphere of terrestrial planets in other solar systems. JWST will be a true leap forward in the capabilities of human-kind to address the question *are we alone in the Universe?*

John Mather serves as the James Webb Space Telescope (JWST) Senior Project Scientist. When it is launched in 2018 the JWST (led by NASA with European and Canadian participation) will be the largest telescope launched into space (6.6 m diameter compared with 2.4 m for the Hubble Space Telescope). The telescope will be folded up for launch and deploy once launched. It has a highly advanced package of instruments operating at infrared wavelengths. This technological marvel is designed to observe the formation of the first stars and galaxies a few hundred million years after the Big Bang and the atmospheres of Earth-like planets orbiting around other stars – a true leap forward in the capabilities of human-kind to understand our origins and search for life beyond our solar system. Mather provides top-level scientific leadership for every part of the JWST project both nationally and internationally. The concept for the mission was developed under his leadership beginning in 1995. None of this could have been accomplished without Dr. Mather's leadership in identifying the scientific objectives, the mission concept, and the technological breakthroughs that would be required.

John Mather was the driving force behind NASA's Cosmic Background Explorer satellite (COBE). In 1974, only 6 months out of graduate school, Dr. Mather realized that precision measurements of the Cosmic Microwave Background from space were necessary to the fundamental question on whether the Universe had begun in a hot Big Bang or had existed in a steady state forever. He led one of several teams that proposed what ultimately became NASA's COBE mission to address this question. As Project Scientist and one of the three Principal Investigators, Mather oversaw the engineering design of the mission and the delivery of scientific results. His personal leadership was responsible for the entire mission, from concept to ultimate success. At the time the COBE mission was a technological *tour de force*. It advanced technologies that were not mature when the mission was proposed, including liquid helium cooled instruments, cryogenic mechanisms, infrared and microwave detectors, antennas with extraordinary ability to avoid interference from warm objects, and differential instrument designs capable of orders of magnitude improvement in accuracy.

On Oct. 3, 2006, the Nobel Foundation announced that "The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences has decided to award the Nobel Prize in Physics for 2006 jointly to John C. Mather, NASA Goddard Space Flight Center, and George F. Smoot, University of California, Berkeley, CA, USA 'for their discovery of the blackbody form and anisotropy of the cosmic microwave background radiation'." The scientific results of the COBE mission sparked a revolution in cosmology, transforming it from speculation to precise computation and prediction. Prior to COBE the two prevailing theories of the universe were the hot Big Bang and the Steady State. Following COBE, the hot Big Bang was the only remaining theory, the temperature of the universe was known to 3 decimal places, and the hot and cold spots (anisotropies) in the Big Bang material were measured in a discovery that Stephen Hawking called the "greatest discovery of the century, if not of all time." When the first data were shown to the American Astronomical Society in 1990, there was a standing ovation from scientists not normally known for showing their emotions. The results were front-page news around the world, and many thousands of scientific papers have been based on the detailed maps produced by the COBE. After the COBE, hundreds of scientists worldwide have continued with further ground-based, balloon-borne, and space-based measurements. All of these activities are traceable to Dr. Mather's leadership of the COBE mission.

John Mather is a senior astrophysicist at NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center in Maryland and adjunct professor of physics at the University of Maryland, College Park. Mather is a member of the National Academy of Sciences and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. In addition to the Nobel Prize his achievements have been recognized with awards from the National Air and Space Museum, the American Astronomical Society, the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the Franklin Institute, the City of Philadelphia, Aviation Week and Space Technology, the University of Arizona, the University of Texas, the Society of Photo-optical Instrumentation Engineers, and the Pat and Peter Gruber Foundation. He is the author of many publications, including his book the "Very First Light", which was written along with John Boslough. He has given many public lectures, to help the public understand the work he has done and hopes to do in the future, and to inspire young people to be as excited about science as he has been. In 2007, Mather was listed among Time magazine's 100 Most Influential People in The World and most recently in 2011 listed among Time magazine's 25 most influential people in space.

The "Albert Einstein" World Award of Science is dedicated to scientists who have brought true benefit and well-being to mankind. John Mather's work has provided a unique service by opening a window into space and avenues of discovery for people who would otherwise not have any access to a deeper understanding of space and astronomy, and to thereby develop a higher appreciation for our place in the Universe.

Observational Cosmology Laboratory

NAME: John C. Mather

PRESENT POSITION:

Senior Astrophysicist and Goddard Fellow

Observational Cosmology Laboratory, Code 665

Astrophysics Division

Sciences and Exploration Directorate NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center

RESEARCH AREA EXPERIENCE: Cosmology, Far IR astronomy and instrumentation, Fourier transform spectroscopy, large space telescopes, interplanetary dust, diffuse background radiation

EDUCATION: 1968 B.A. (Physics), Swarthmore College, (Highest Honors, Phi Beta

Kappa)

1974 Ph.D. (Physics), Univ. of California at Berkeley (4.0 GPA)

OTHER POSITIONS:

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1974 - 1976	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
	Studies
1975	Lecturer in Astronomy, Columbia University
1976 - pres	Principal Investigator, COBE FIRAS (Far Infrared Absolute
	Spectrophotometer)
1976 - 1982	Study Scientist, COBE (Cosmic Background Explorer)
1982 - pres	Project Scientist, COBE
1976 - pres	Astrophysicist, Goddard Space Flight Center
1988 - 1989	Head, Infrared Astrophysics Branch, GSFC
1989 - 1990	Senior Scientist, GSFC
1990 - 1993	Head, Infrared Astrophysics Branch, GSFC
1993 - pres	Senior Astrophysicist (3104), GSFC
1994 - pres	Goddard Fellow, GSFC
1995 - pres	Study Scientist and Senior Project Scientist, Next Generation
	(James Webb) Space Telescope
2007-2008	Chief Scientist, Science Mission Directorate, NASA HQ (part
	time)
2011 – pres	College Park Professor, Department of Physics, University of
•	Maryland
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OTHER DUTIES:

1992 - 1994	Chair, Board of External Advisors, Center for Astrophysical
	Research in Antarctic (CARA)
1992	Member, NASA Lunar Astrophysics Management Operations
	Working Group
1992 - pres	Adjunct Professor, Physics, University of Maryland

1995 1996 - 1998 1996	Member, National Acad. of Sciences committee on GP-B Member, Structure and Evolution of the Universe subcommittee Co-Chair, Origins Technology Working Group
1996 - 2000	Member, New Millennium Program Science Working Group
1998 - 2002	Member, MMA (Millimeter Array, became ALMA) Oversight
1770 - 2002	Committee for NSF
1998 - 2001	Councilor, American Astronomical Society
1998 - 2001	NAS/NRC Board on Physics and Astronomy
1999	HST Second Decade Committee, Bob Brown, Chair
2001 - 2002	Member, National Academy of Sciences Committee on the
	Physics of the Universe
2003	Member, National Academy of Sciences committee on GP-B
2003-2005	Member, Standing Review Board, Kepler project
2005	Member, Exoplanet Roadmap Committee
2006-2007	Member, Astrophysics Subcommittee, NASA Advisory
	Committee
2006 -	President, John and Jane Mather Foundation for Science and the
	Arts
2008 -	Member, Board of Directors, Center for Excellence in Education
2008	Chair, Blue Ribbon panel, SOFIA scientific program review
2010 - 2011	Member, National Academy of Science committee, "Conceptual
	Framework for New Science Education Standards"

AWARDS:

Open Scholarship (honorary), Swarthmore, 1964-68

Putnam national math contest, 1967, 27th place nationwide

Highest possible score (990), physics Grad Records, 1968

Highest Honors and Phi Beta Kappa, Swarthmore 1968

NSF Fellowship and honorary Woodrow Wilson Fellowship 1968-70

Hertz Foundation Fellowship, 1970-74

Group Achievement Award, GSFC, 1978

Exceptional Achievement Award, GSFC, 1986

Certificate of Recognition, Inventions and Contributions, GSFC, 1986

John C. Lindsay Memorial Award (NASA-GSFC), 1990

Group Achievement Award (NASA-GSFC), 1990

NASA Exceptional Scientific Achievement Award, 1991

NASA Group Achievement Award, 1991

Rotary National Space Achievement Award, 1991

National Air and Space Museum Trophy, 1991

Aviation Week and Space Technology Laurels, 1992, for Space/Missiles

Discover Magazine Technology Award finalist, 1993

American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics Space Science Award, 1993

Dannie Heineman Prize for Astrophysics, American Astronomical Society and American

Institute of Physics, 1993 (presented Jan. 1994)

Senior Astrophysicist (3104 position), 1993, GSFC

Goddard Fellow, 1994, GSFC

Honorary Doctor of Science Degree, Swarthmore College, 1994

John Scott Award, City of Philadelphia, 1995

Rumford Prize, American Academy of Arts and Sciences, 1996

Fellow, American Physical Society, 1996

Hall of Fame, Aviation Week and Space Technology, 1997

Member, National Academy of Sciences, 1997

GSFC Group Achievement Award, Next Generation Space Telescope, 1997

Marc Aaronson Memorial Prize, 1998

Member, American Academy of Arts and Sciences, 1998

Benjamin Franklin Medal in Physics, Franklin Institute, 1999

NASA/GSFC Outstanding Teamwork award for NGST SEB, 1999

Newton (NJ) High School Hall of Fame, 2003

Presidential Rank Distinguished Performance award, NASA, 2003

George W. Goddard Award, Society of Photo-Optical Instrumentation Engineers, 2005

Cosmology prize, Pat and Peter Gruber Foundation, 2006

Nobel Prize in Physics, with George Smoot, 2006

Fellow, Society of Photo-optical Instrumentation Engineers, 2006

Award in Physics, Washington Academy of Sciences, 2006

Antoinette de Vaucouleurs medal, U of TX, 2007

NASA Distinguished Service Medal, 2007

Robinson Prize in Cosmology, Newcastle University, 2008

Presidential Rank Distinguished Performance award, NASA, 2008

D. Sci. (Honorary), University of Maryland, College Park, 2008

Fellow, Optical Society of America, 2009

Gold Medal, Prime Minister of India, 2009

Award of Excellence, NJ Educational Association, 2010

GSFC Group Achievement Award, WISE science team, 2011

Daniel Chalonge medal, Observatoire de Paris, 2011

Fellow, American Association for Advancement of Science, 2012

MEMBERSHIPS:

American Astronomical Society, American Physical Society, Sigma Xi, International Astronomical Union, National Academy of Sciences, American Academy of Arts and Sciences, Optical Society of America, American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics, Society of Photo-Optical Instrumentation Engineers (SPIE)

PUBLICATIONS:

John C. Mather has published scientific papers primarily in Applied Optics, the Astrophysical Journal, and various conference proceedings.

BOOKS

1. J.C. Mather and J. Boslough, "The Very First Light," Basic Books, New York, 1996. Second edition, 2008.

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3. COBE mission, 1974 and later versions. Flew in 1989.

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- 2. 2008, Co-I on SEDS, with Giovanni Fazio, PI, to do very deep cosmology with warm Spitzer; selected!
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