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O'Mara: Elmira native and hometown hero Eileen Collins will address the Republican National Convention tonight during prime time ~ 'Her career and her life are inspiring American stories' (UPDATED, July 21)

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Eileen Collins is an American hero, one of our nation's most distinguished citizens, and we're extremely proud of her as a native of Elmira and New York State. It's a remarkable career and an inspirational life.

A reminder that one of our hometown heroes, legendary astronaut and Elmira native Eileen Collins will take the national stage tonight during prime time to address the nation at the Republican National Convention's "Make America First Again" program.

Read more from the Star-Gazette, "[Eileen Collins to speak at RNC during prime time](#)"

Of course Eileen is a member of the [National Women's Hall of Fame](#).

But here in the New York State Senate, we're also proud have her included as part of our "Women of Distinction" in New York State history. Read more [HERE](#).

It will be good to hear from Eileen tonight. Her career and her life are inspiring American stories.

[UPDATE, July 21: Read more in today's *Star-Gazette*, "[Collins urges revived space program in convention speech](#)", and watch Eileen's speech via the Corning Community College Twitter feed [HERE](#).]