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3-D Style Book Commemorates 40th Anniversary of the Space Race and Its Phenomenal Conclusion

Aldrin Recalls "Magnificent Desolation" of Moon Landing

Fort Worth, Texas – Murray Books, a boutique publishing house specializing in tactile books, is announcing the release of its latest and most exciting title, One Small Step, to celebrate the upcoming fortieth anniversary of man's first walk on the moon. This hard cover book in the shape of the moon with a tactile finish to resemble the moon's surface, beautifully captures this defining moment for America, which responded to President John F. Kennedy's call to put a man on the

moon before the decade was out, and in so doing beat the then-Soviet Union to the moon.

For all intents and purposes, the race to the moon began after the Cold War of the 1950s when the United States and the Soviet Union went head-to-head to see who could make it to the moon's surface first. For several years, the two countries one-upped each other with projects such as Sputnik, Explorer, and Luna-1, but it was on July 20, 1969, that Buzz Aldrin and Neil Armstrong took their giant leap for mankind and became the first of twelve men from the Apollo program and America to walk on the moon.

This fortieth anniversary book poignantly captures the details before, during, and after the space race. Sanctioned by NASA, with a heartfelt introduction by none other than Buzz Aldrin, who served as an active consultant and contributor to the book, One Small Step also contains numerous moving photographs of



our astronauts on their mission. Aldrin comments on the feelings he felt of "magnificent desolation" as the lunar module touched down on the surface of the moon. "It inspires us to keep dreaming and reaching while saluting the mission and those who made it happen," says Aldrin. "I hope you enjoy it as much as I do and that it will rouse you to take at least *One Small Step* of your own."

Peter Murray, CEO of Murray Books, is hoping his newest creation will bring the success he experienced with previous titles. "We have opened many new doors with our new product and by the end of 2009 we hope to have concluded over 2 million sales of our tactile books. We are well on target to achieve this goal." Murray's range of tactile book designs draws attention to themselves in any bookstore. They are well-crafted gifts of knowledge and inspiration for young and old alike, and are far more presentable than books randomly filed away in bookshelves.

Capturing the achievement of a lifetime and the hopes and dreams of a generation, One Small Step reminds us all of who we are and what we are capable of doing - a theme as important today as it ever has been.

One Small Step went on sale online in January 2009 and is currently only available for sale online. For information on how to order, visit <u>www.murraybooks.com</u> or <u>www.amazon.com</u>.

About Murray Books

Murray Books is a boutique publishing house. Chief Executive, Peter Murray has been involved in the publishing industry since 1978 and has observed many changes and consumer demands over the past 3 decades. Knowing the necessity of looking at new ideas and ways of keeping the book trade alive, it was in 2005 that Murray recognized a demand in the market for something new and dynamic. The tactile book concept was born. Murray has now launched twenty tactile books since June 2006 in this format with new ideas constantly evolving. The company also publishes interesting coffee-table books.

One Small Step is available online at <u>www.murraybooks.com</u> or at <u>www.amazon.com</u>. ### One Small Step; Murray Books; Nonfiction; Hard cover with tactile finish; **\$34.95**; ISBN: 978-0-9803131-9-2