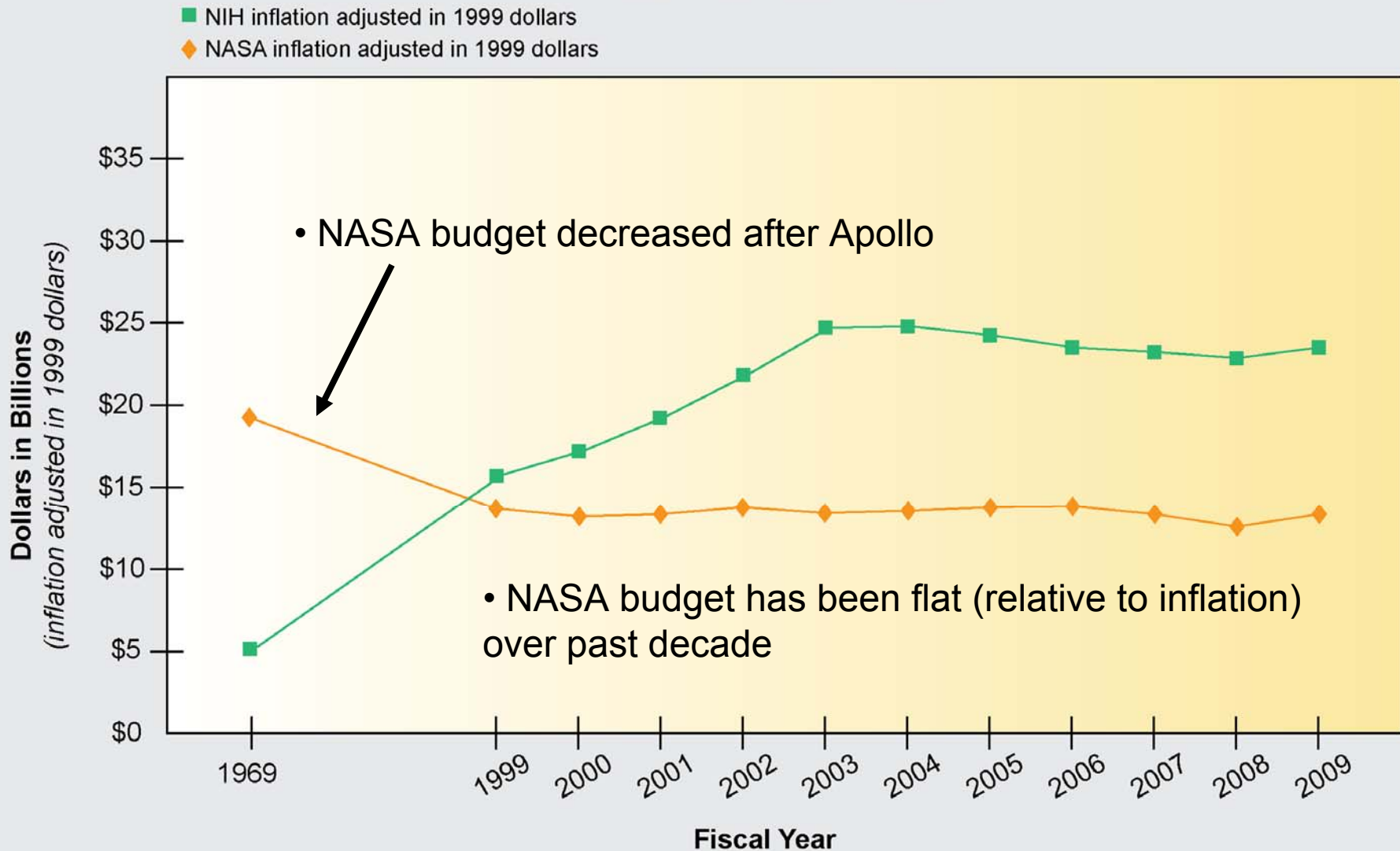


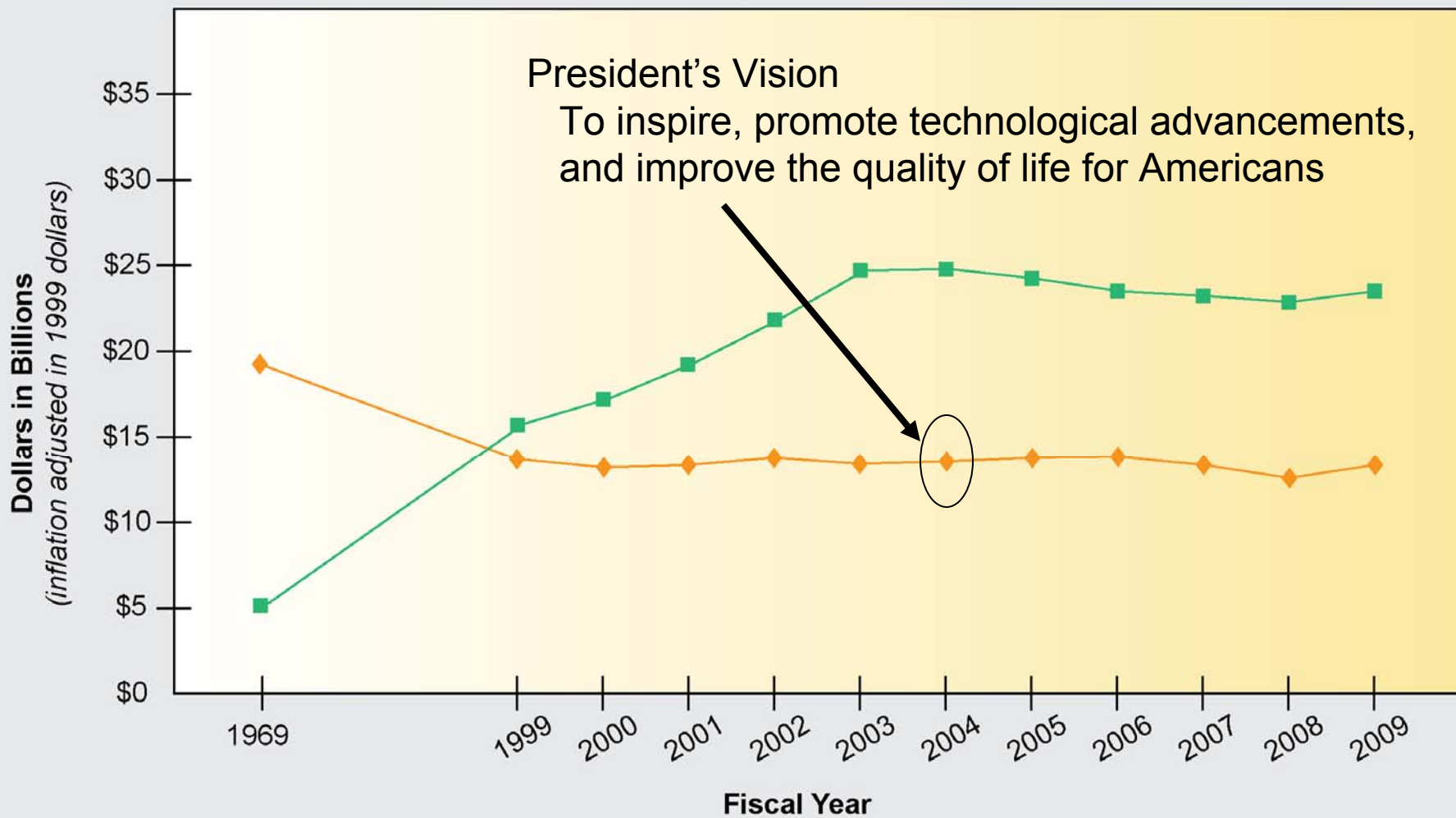
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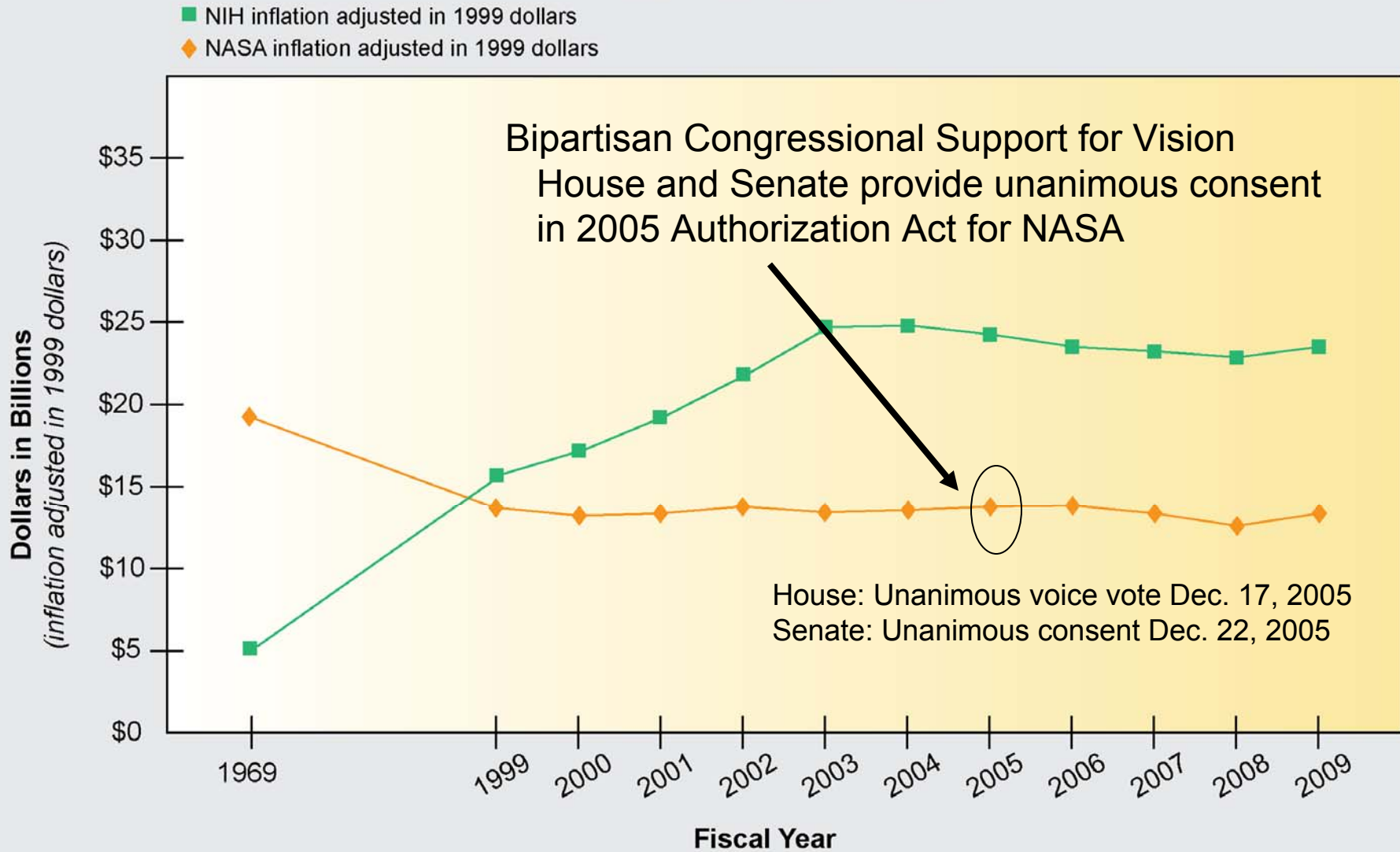
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- NIH inflation adjusted in 1999 dollars
- ◆ NASA inflation adjusted in 1999 dollars



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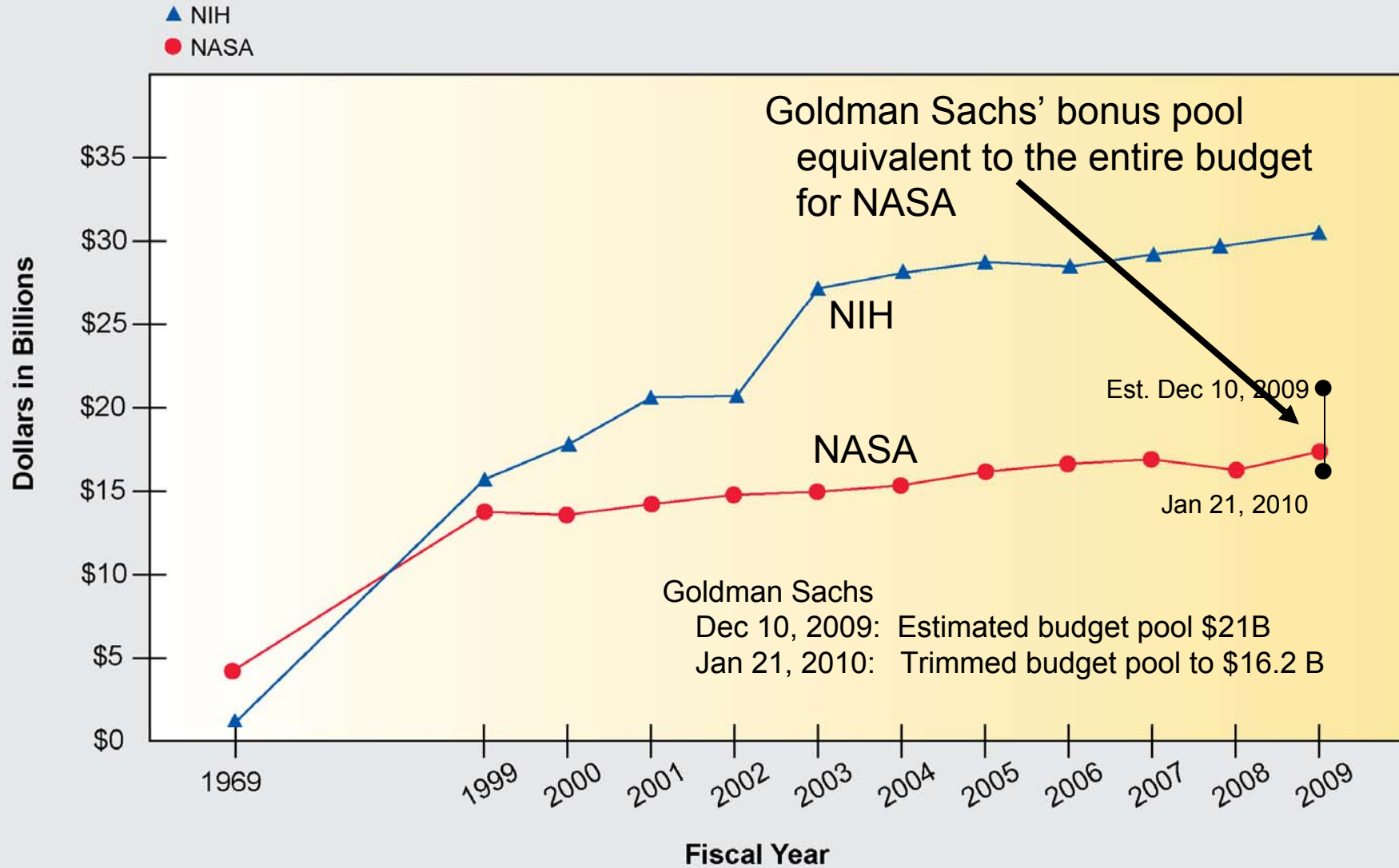


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# Implications of Data

- NASA's budget is not the cause of rising deficits.
- Indeed, one can argue that investments in NASA have enhanced the nation's technological base and, thus, enhanced our economic base.
- NASA's budget should not be raided to fix deficits caused by other programs.
- Indeed, one can argue that the current NASA budget is embarrassingly small. Our nation's entire investment is about the same as the bonus pool of a single company (as illustrated in the next slide).

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