# **Sample Speech**

Good morning/afternoon/evening, American Legion members, fellow veterans, patriotic families and our community supporters. We are honored that you are joining us for today’s special event as part of The American Legion’s yearlong celebration of our nation’s 250th birthday!

We are gathered today to participate in

The American Legion’s USA 250 Challenge. What is the challenge?

The USA 250 Challenge is built on

three important features we know well —

physical activity, mental wellness and community service.

During our nation’s special 250th celebration, The American Legion is leading by example. We are showing how we are the leading veterans service organization with this commitment to our community, our state and our great nation.

The USA 250 Challenge is open to everyone. So don’t delay … JOIN THE CHALLENGE TODAY!

If you haven’t already, please visit legion-dot-org to learn more and register for $30.

For your registration fee you will get to choose a commemorative T-shirt, while supporting

the Veterans and Children Foundation.

The V-C-F is The American Legion’s charitable fund that is a life saver for many.

It provides valuable funding and services for our nation’s disabled. Additionally, it provides financial resources for military families with children who need assistance.

Now let’s get this special celebration started!

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