

Veteran's Day remarks: 5-10minutes of speaking

- Thank you to all the Veterans and their families, American Legion Post 31, and to Paul Wheelton and his wife Barb for organizing and hosting us today. Thank you to Mayor David Allaire and to Danny Minary (head of Post 31 and Rutland County American Legion District ), and thank you to our missing members who cannot be here with us today.
- -speak about your family's military service and what that means to you
- Speak about what Vermonters military service means for the state and its lasting effects
- -speak about your work with the National Guard,( VT National Guard 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion 172<sup>nd</sup> Infantry is currently wrapping up a deployment supporting Operation Spartan Shield, Operation Inherent Resolve, and Operation Freedom's Sentinel)
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Public Statement:

“On Veterans Day in Vermont, we honor the over 43,000 veterans who call our state home, as well as the millions more across the country who have served and sacrificed to protect our nation.

Vermont has a long history of military service, going as far back as the Green Mountain Boys' participation in the American Revolution and continues today. Our brave servicemen and women have risked their lives to secure our freedoms in the line of duty, and now it is our duty to ensure they receive the support and care they deserve.

Thank you to our veterans, their families and our future veterans – our active duty troops – for your commitment, your sacrifice, and your courage. We are forever indebted to your service.”