



## **Eunice Kennedy Shriver Day Script**

Saturday September 24, 2016

**Athlete:** Welcome everybody to Eunice Kennedy Shriver Day

This is an important day to honor the founder of Special Olympics; Eunice Kennedy Shriver. I would like to take a moment to share her legacy.

Eunice Kennedy Shriver had five core values which has shaped Special Olympics;

### **(PICK FIVE ATHLETES TO SHARE A CORE VALUE)**

- LOVE- deeply loved her sister and sport.
- JUSTICE- became furious about the neglect and the indifference she saw toward her sister and other with intellectual disabilities.
- FAITH- she strongly believed that everyone counts.
- HOPE- believed in the possibilities of persons with intellectual disabilities, which fuels hope in all of us to make a difference;
- COURAGE- she demonstrated a great spirit in action that one person could change the world.

**Community Leader:** Her core values have changed the lives of millions of people worldwide. Let's celebrate this day and #PlayUnified.