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Independence Hall

Independence Hall built in Philadelphia, 1732-1753.

Built as the Pennsylvania State House, this building was the capitol building for the colony of Pennsylvania. Here, delegates to the Continental Congress and the Constitutional Convention met to create and preserve the United States. Since then, people continue to visit, celebrating the Declaration of Independence and the United States Constitution.

"I am filled with deep emotion...in this place, where were collected together the wisdom, the patriotism, the devotion to principle from which sprang the institutions under which we live." --Abraham Lincoln, 1861