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Let Freedom Ring

Nearly 250 years ago on July 4, 1776 there were 13 colonies that declared their independence from Great Britain. This historic event led to the establishment of the United States of America, which is why the Fourth of July, also known as “Independence Day,” has been celebrated annually since 1776.

The Declaration of Independence was adopted by the Second Continental Congress that was held at the Pennsylvania State House, which later became known as “Independence Hall,” in Philadelphia. Richard Henry Lee of Virginia at this assembly once said, “That these United Colonies are, and of right ought to be, free and independent States, that they are absolved from all allegiance from the British Crown, and that all political connection between them and the State of Great Britain is, and ought to be, totally dissolved.”

As we gather with our families, friends, and members of our communities on the Fourth of July, it is important to remember the significance of this national holiday. Our ancestors gathered to sign a document to give the United States freedom and independence from the British Colony after they were attempting to impose new rules and taxes on the 13 colonies that had no say in their parliament.

Our ancestors celebrated this great day in history with bonfires, bells, and fireworks, much like we do today. We also attend and get involved in parades across the nation to recognize such an extraordinary event. It is equally as important to thank our military servicemen and women who fought and continue to fight the brave fight for our freedom.

I hope that each and every one of you have a great Independence Day!

As always, feel free to contact my office with questions, comments, or concerns.

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