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The Declaration of Independence To Be Honored With New Stamp

What: In 1776, the Declaration of Independence gave powerful voice to a bold idea: that government exists to serve the people. On the 250th anniversary of America's founding document, the U.S. Postal Service pays tribute to the written instrument that codified our national ideals with a new Forever stamp.

The first-day-of-issue event for the Declaration of Independence stamp will be part of this year's Celebration of Freedom at the birthplace of our nation in Philadelphia and is free and open to the public. News of the stamp is being shared with the hashtag **#DeclarationofIndependenceStamp**.

Who: Lucy Trout, secretary of the USPS Board of Governors

When: Saturday, July 4 at 10 a.m. Eastern

Where: [B Free Franklin Post Office](#)
316 Market St.
Philadelphia, PA 19106

RSVP: Attendees are encouraged to register at:
<https://www.usps.com/declarationofindependence>

Background: Adopted on July 4, 1776, by the Second Continental Congress, the Declaration of Independence announced the Colonies' break from Great Britain and expressed the bold idea that government is a social contract based on the consent of the governed. Its words have echoed through two and a half centuries, reminding us that liberty and justice are at the heart of the American story.

The new stamp will be issued in panes of 20. As a Forever stamp, it will always be

equal in value to the current First-Class Mail 1-ounce price.

Postal Products

Customers may purchase stamps and other philatelic products through [The Postal Store](#) at usps.com/shopstamps, by calling 844-737-7826, by mail through [USA Philatelic](#) or at Post Office locations nationwide. For officially licensed stamp products, shop the [USPS Officially Licensed Collection on Amazon](#). Additional information on stamps, first-day-of-issue ceremonies and stamp-inspired products can be found at StampsForever.com.

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