

A Prayer for America's
250th Anniversary



**WE
HOLD
THESE
TRUTHS**

O God,

Lord of history and of every nation under heaven,
we give You thanks for the 250 years
since the founding of these United States.

Look with favor upon this land which we love.

Grant that its people may be
guided by truth and charity.

Bless all who serve in elected office.

May they govern with integrity and humility.

Strengthen families, renew communities,
and heal every division that weakens our life together.

We ask especially through the intercession of
Mary Immaculate, patroness of these United States,

that this nation may remain a land
where human dignity is honored,
where the weak are protected,
and where hope is never extinguished.

As we mark this 250th year,
grant that we may recommit ourselves
to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness
in a way that is ever more just, more united,
and more faithful to Your will.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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