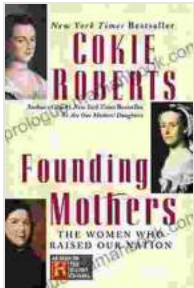


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The Founding Mothers were a group of remarkable women who played a vital role in the founding of the United States of America. They were wives, mothers, sisters, and daughters, and they used their influence to support the cause of liberty and independence.

These women were not always recognized for their contributions, but their stories are finally being told. They were courageous, intelligent, and determined, and they helped to shape the course of American history.

## Abigail Adams



Abigail Adams was the wife of John Adams, the second president of the United States. She was a strong advocate for women's rights and education, and she corresponded with her husband about the need for a more just and equitable society.

In one of her most famous letters, Abigail wrote to John:

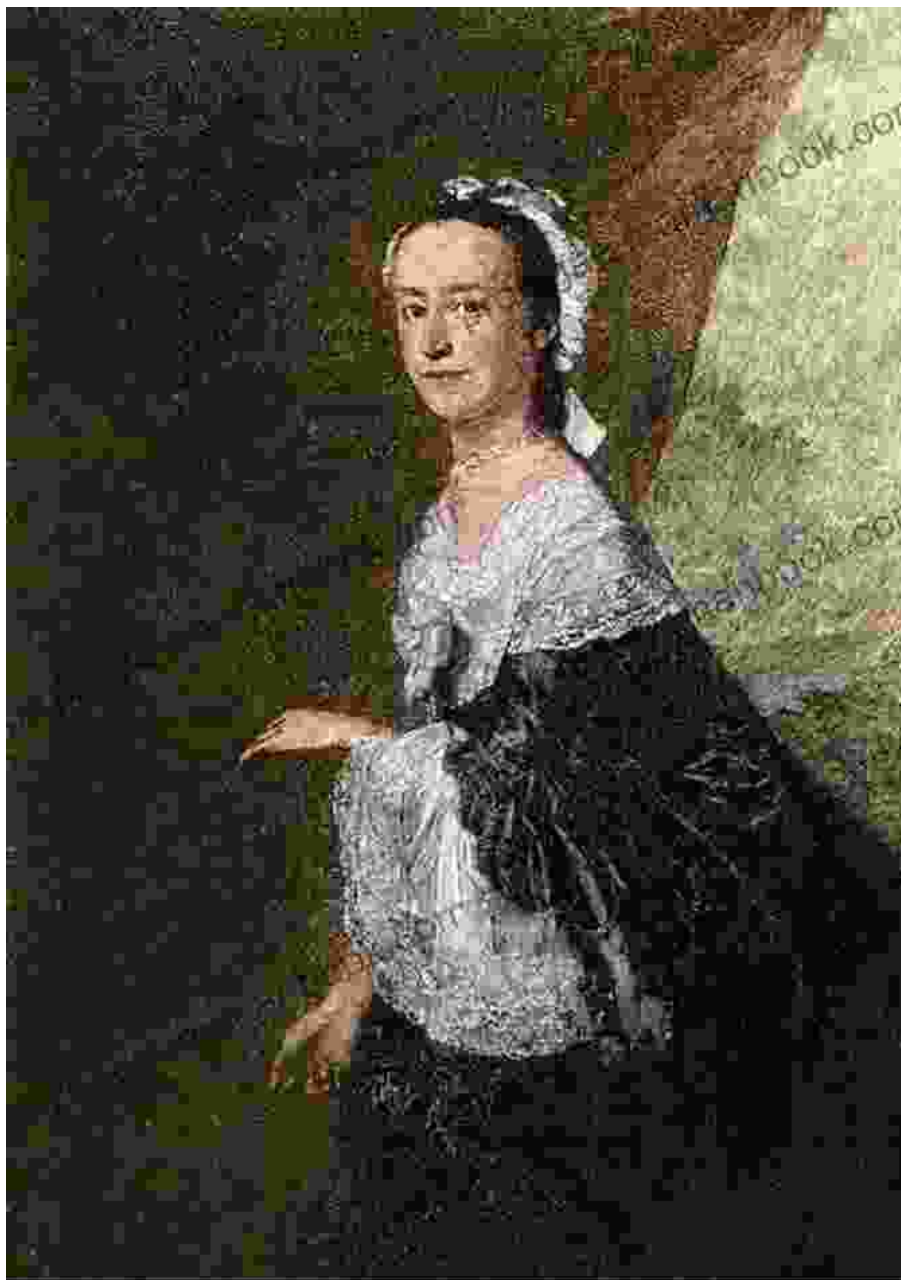
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***“I long to hear that you have declared an independency - and by the way in the new Code of Laws which I suppose it will be necessary for you to make I desire you would Remember the Ladies, and be more generous and favourable to them than your ancestors. Do not put such unlimited power into the hands of the Husbands. Remember all Men would be tyrants if they could. If particular care and attention is not paid to the***

***Ladies we are determined to foment a Rebellion, and will not hold ourselves bound by any Laws in which we have no voice, or Representation.”***

Abigail's words were prophetic, and they helped to inspire the women's rights movement in the United States.

**Mercy Otis Warren**



Mercy Otis Warren was a playwright, poet, and historian who was active in the American Revolution. She was a close friend of Abigail Adams, and she shared her views on the importance of women's rights and education.

Warren's plays were often performed to raise funds for the Continental Army, and her poems celebrated the heroes of the Revolution. She also wrote a history of the American Revolution, which was one of the first accounts of the war written by a woman.

## **Phillis Wheatley**



Phillis Wheatley was a poet who was born in Africa and brought to America as a slave. She was taught to read and write by her master, and she began writing poetry at a young age.

Wheatley's poems were published in England in 1773, and they were praised by critics for their beauty and eloquence. She was the first African American woman to publish a book of poetry, and her work helped to challenge the prevailing views about the inferiority of blacks.

## **Elizabeth Freeman**

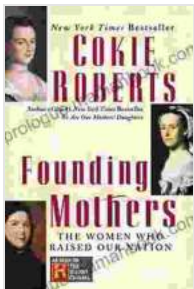


Elizabeth Freeman was a slave who lived in Massachusetts. She was known for her intelligence and wit, and she was a close friend of the family of George Washington.

In 1781, Freeman sued for her freedom, and she won her case. She was one of the first slaves in the United States to successfully sue for her freedom, and her case helped to establish the principle that slavery was illegal in Massachusetts.

The Founding Mothers were a diverse group of women who made significant contributions to the founding of the United States. They were wives, mothers, sisters, and daughters, and they used their influence to support the cause of liberty and independence.

These women were courageous, intelligent, and determined, and they helped to shape the course of American history. They are an inspiration to us all.



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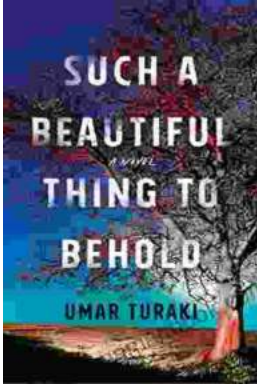
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