

# Hancock-Clarke House

The Hancock-Clarke House is the house that patriots John Hancock and Samuel Adams were staying in on the evening just before the American Revolution began. The house was actually John Hancock's boyhood home, and when he and his friends in Boston began to make plans for what would become the American Revolution, he offered up the house as a meeting place. On the night of April 18, 1775, Adams and Hancock were staying in the house when Paul Revere and William Dawes arrived to warn them of the British's arrival and plans to arrest them. Because of Revere and Dawes' brave acts, Adams and Hancock escaped and went on to play *integral* roles in the Revolution.



**Answer the question below on a separate piece of paper.**

1. Would you risk your own freedom for a cause the way Paul Revere and William Dawes did? Why or why not?



*"Don't Tread On Me" Flag from Revolutionary War*

## **Vocabulary**

*integral*: essential or necessary for completeness



*Paul Revere*