Hannah Callowhill Penn

- Second wife of William Penn, mother of five Penn children
- Recognized as first female governor of Pennsylvania, as she ran the colony when William Penn was unable

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Hannah Penn
Painting
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