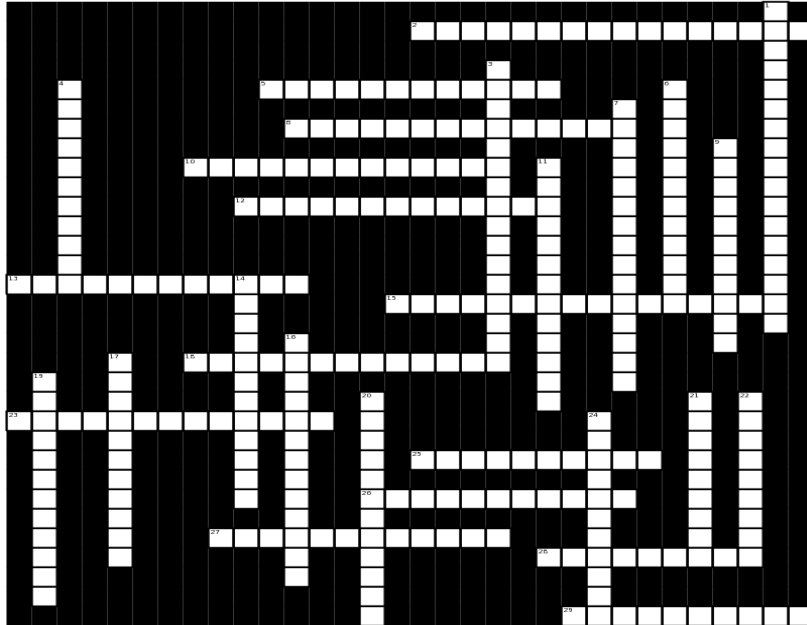


# MC Black History Month Crossword Puzzle #8

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Puzzle Theme: Maryland area African-American Firsts. This puzzle focuses on African-Americans in or from the Maryland area (Washington, DC & Northern VA) that were the first to do a variety of things ranging from politics to education to the military.



**Across**

- 2 This National museum located in Baltimore is the first wax museum of African American history in the U.S.
- 5 Former Washington Redskin quarterback was MVP in Super Bowl XXII and the first (and so far only) African-American quarterback to win the Super Bowl.
- 8 The first African-American elected to Congress from MD, was also the first African-American graduate student at the University of Maryland-College Park completing his M.A. in 1952.
- 10 The 65th U.S. Secretary of State serving under President Bush; the first African-American appointed to that position.
- 12 The first African-American First Lady of the United States of America.
- 13 She was installed as the 97th President of the National Press Club in 2003, making her the first African-American to serve in that role.
- 15 This Baltimore native and Howard Law School graduate was the first African-American to serve on the Supreme Court of the U.S.
- 18 In 1978 this Maryland abolitionist and conductor on the Underground Railroad became the first African-American woman honored on a stamp by the U.S. Postal Service.
- 23 This former Maryland Lieutenant Governor was elected the first African-American chairman of the Republican National Committee (RNC) on January 20, 2009.
- 25 He is the founder of the first African-American owned & operated shipyard in 1886, Chesapeake Marine Railway and Dry Dock Company.
- 26 The 65th U.S. Secretary of State serving under President Bush; the first African-American appointed to that position.
- 27 In 1951 he was the first African-American undergraduate student admitted to the University of Maryland-College Park.
- 28 The first African-American chair of the Maryland Republican party and the first to run for a state-wide office in Maryland.
- 29 With just 6 employees when it was founded on August 20, 1934; this bank is the oldest & largest minority commercial bank in the metropolitan Washington, DC region.

**Down**

- 1 The first African-American woman to serve on the District of Columbia Board of Education and the first to hold such a position in the U.S.
- 3 The first African-American elected Mayor of Washington, DC in 1967.
- 4 This Dean of Howard University School of Law was the first African-American elected as the Mayor of Baltimore, MD on November 3, 1987.
- 6 On June 19, 2008 she was sworn in as a member of the U.S. House of Representatives, making her the first black woman to represent Maryland in the U.S. Congress.
- 7 The first collegiate Greek-lettered sorority for African-American women was founded at Howard University in 1908; their colors are salmon pink and apple green.
- 9 In 1991 she was elected the first African-American woman Mayor of Washington, DC and any other major American city.
- 11 The first African-American female undergraduate student at the University of Maryland-College park earned her degree in education in 1959.
- 14 President Lyndon B. Johnson named him the first U.S. Secretary of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) which made him the first African-American to ever hold a cabinet-level position in the U.S.
- 16 Town in Anne Arundel County that was incorporated in 1922 and it became the first African-American municipality in Maryland.
- 17 The first African-American President of the United States of America.
- 19 The first African-American elected to the Montgomery County Council and also the first African-American to hold the office of County Executive.
- 20 In 1873 he became President of Georgetown University (College then), but not until the 1960s when his racial history was revealed was he declared the first African-American Jesuit and president of a predominately White university.
- 21 Coppin State graduate that made history in 1992 when she was elected the first African-American woman chair of the Democratic Party of Maryland.
- 22 A native Marylander that was the first African-American woman pilot/First Officer with a major carrier, Texas International Airlines, in 1978.
- 24 The first African-American woman and first woman elected Mayor of Baltimore in 2007.