

"Our Soul Looks Back and Wonder"



February 7, 2025

Dear Wonderful Advocates and Supporters:

We are now in the month of love, reflection, thankfulness, and celebration. We must use this time talking with our children, our family and friends about the rich history and contributions of African American. If our children knew where they came from, it would be easier to know where they need to go. There are many whose names we will never know who helped to make this country rich, great and powerful. The pledge to the American flag is under assault. The freedoms which we have been promised are being rescinded. We can *"get things done"* if we work together because we are the **202 Coalition**!

Our breakfast meeting for this month, will convene on **Monday, February 24th, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.** at St. Margaret's Catholic Church, 410 Addison Road, South, Capitol Heights, Maryland. We will have updates from Law Enforcement, EMS personnel and the Fire Department. Also, we look forward to obtaining important presentations from the following:

- BGE & Pepco
- Moms Demand Action
- Suitland High School and Fairwood Elementary School
- One Stop Career Center
- Braxton Institute Fellow–Jordan Chadwick (provide an overview of the history of Prince George's County)

Please be advised if it is snowing or the weather presents a travel problem, we will not meet. We are in times when it is extremely important for us to stay the course, understanding that our support and prayers are critical in the process. We all know who has the plan – who promised NEVER TO LEAVE or FORSAKE us. Thanks for all you do!

If you have questions or concerns, please call our office at (410) 841-3148 or email: joanne.benson@senate.state.md.us. You can also visit my website at www.joannecbenson.com.

Gripped with Thanksgiving,

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