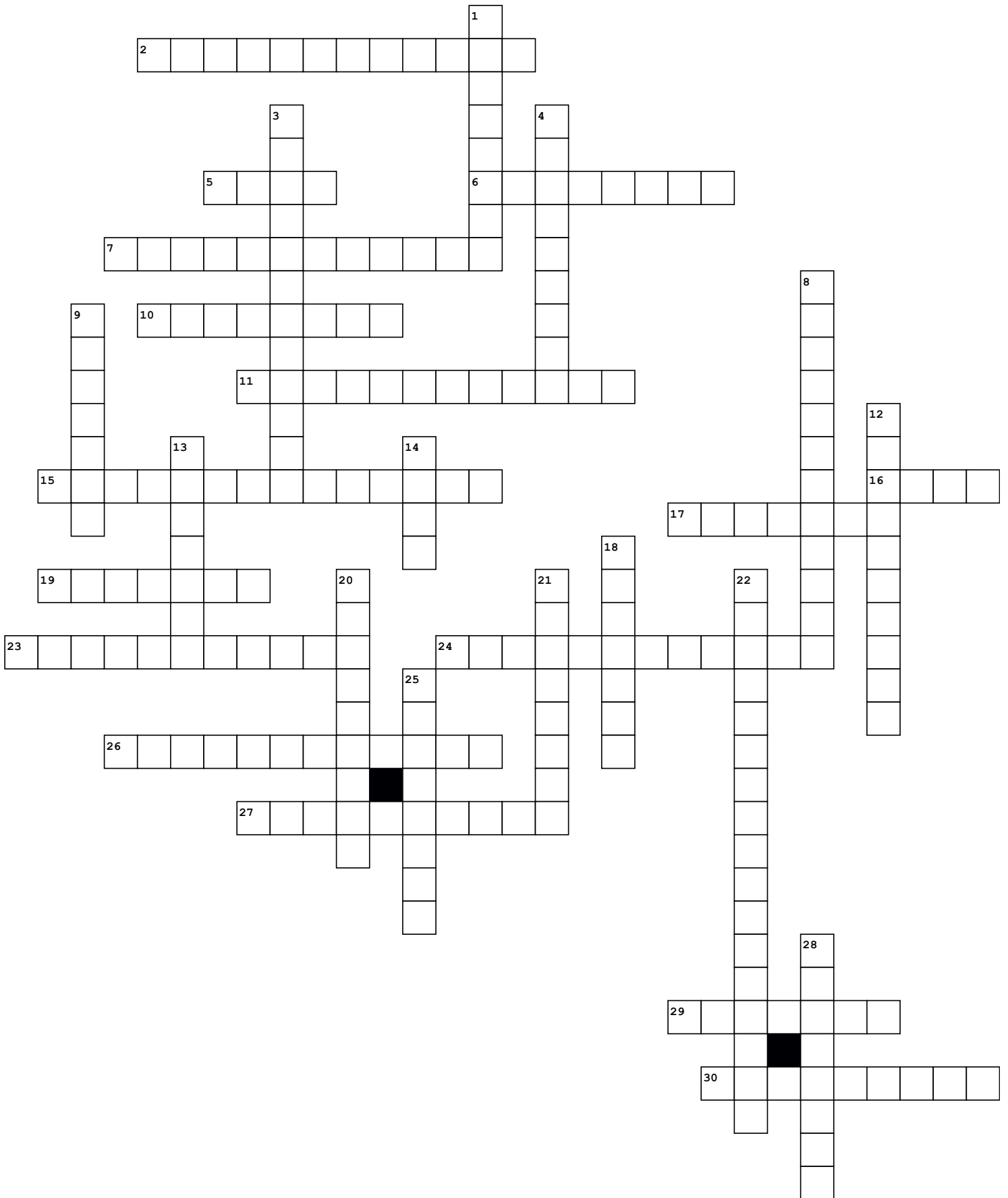


# Constitution Crossword Puzzle



### Across

2. The fundamental law of the U.S. federal government.
5. A formal indication of a choice between two or more candidates or courses of action, expressed typically through a ballot or a show of hands or by voice.
6. A formal and organized choice by vote of a person for a political office or other position.
7. The first 10 Amendments to the Constitution.
10. Includes the Supreme Court and other federal courts.
11. Protects people from unreasonable searches and seizures by the government.
15. Each person is elected to a two-year term serving the people of a specific congressional district.
16. The power of the President to refuse to approve a bill or joint resolution and thus prevent its enactment into law.
17. A legal rule that can be set out under a statute, a code, or a paragraph in a legal document.
19. Freedom from arbitrary and unreasonable restraint upon an individual.
23. Made up of the House and Senate, known collectively as the Congress
24. Excessive bail shall not be required, nor excessive fines imposed, nor cruel and unusual punishments inflicted.
26. It protects freedom of speech, the press, assembly, and the right to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.
27. A minor change or addition designed to improve a text, piece of legislation, etc.
29. A person elected or appointed to the Senate and duly sworn.
30. A way of governing which depends on the will of the people.

### Down

1. The legislative branch of the federal government that represents the American people and makes the nation's laws.
3. The act of approving an unauthorized commitment by an official who has the authority to do so.
4. The part of government which enforces the law, and has overall responsibility for the governance of a state.
8. The highest court in the land and the only part of the federal judiciary specifically required by the Constitution.
9. The most senior appointed officers of the executive branch.
12. The governing body of a nation, state, or community.
13. Of or constituting a form of government in which power is distributed between a central authority and a number of constituent territorial units (as states).
14. A draft of a proposed law presented to parliament for discussion.
18. Charge (the holder of a public office) with misconduct.
20. The head of state and head of government of the United States of America, and Commander-in-Chief of the armed forces.
21. To ensure the government is effective and citizens' rights are protected, each has its own powers and responsibilities, including working with the others.
22. Provides each branch of government with individual powers to check the other branches and prevent any one branch from becoming too powerful.
25. The \_\_\_\_ is an introduction to the highest law of the land; it is not the law.
28. The government, or political authority, that controls a nation.