Activity 2 – Questions

Student Name ____________________________________________ Date ____________________

Directions: After reading the short excerpt about Robert Gould Shaw and the Massachusetts 54th Regiment, answer the following questions in complete sentences.

1. What are two things that this memorial commemorates?

2. In what other wars had African Americans fought?

3. What allowed African Americans to fight for the Union?

4. Who were the first documented African Americans to fight for the Union?

5. Who led the Massachusetts 54th Regiment?

6. What three words could you use to describe Robert G. Shaw?

7. For what kind of behavior is the Massachusetts 54th Regiment most well known?

8. What is the significance of the Massachusetts 54th Regiment to the history of the Civil War?

9. Approximately how many African Americans served in the Union Army?

10. What is your opinion about Robert Gould Shaw and the Massachusetts 54th Regiment?