



Join **POE**, the Baltimore Ravens mascot, as he makes his way around Maryland the week before the big game! Poe visits many places, like Maryland's capital, the beach, and even the zoo, before ending up on RavensWalk on gameday.

Get ready to cheer on the Ravens with Poe and find out if they win their big game!



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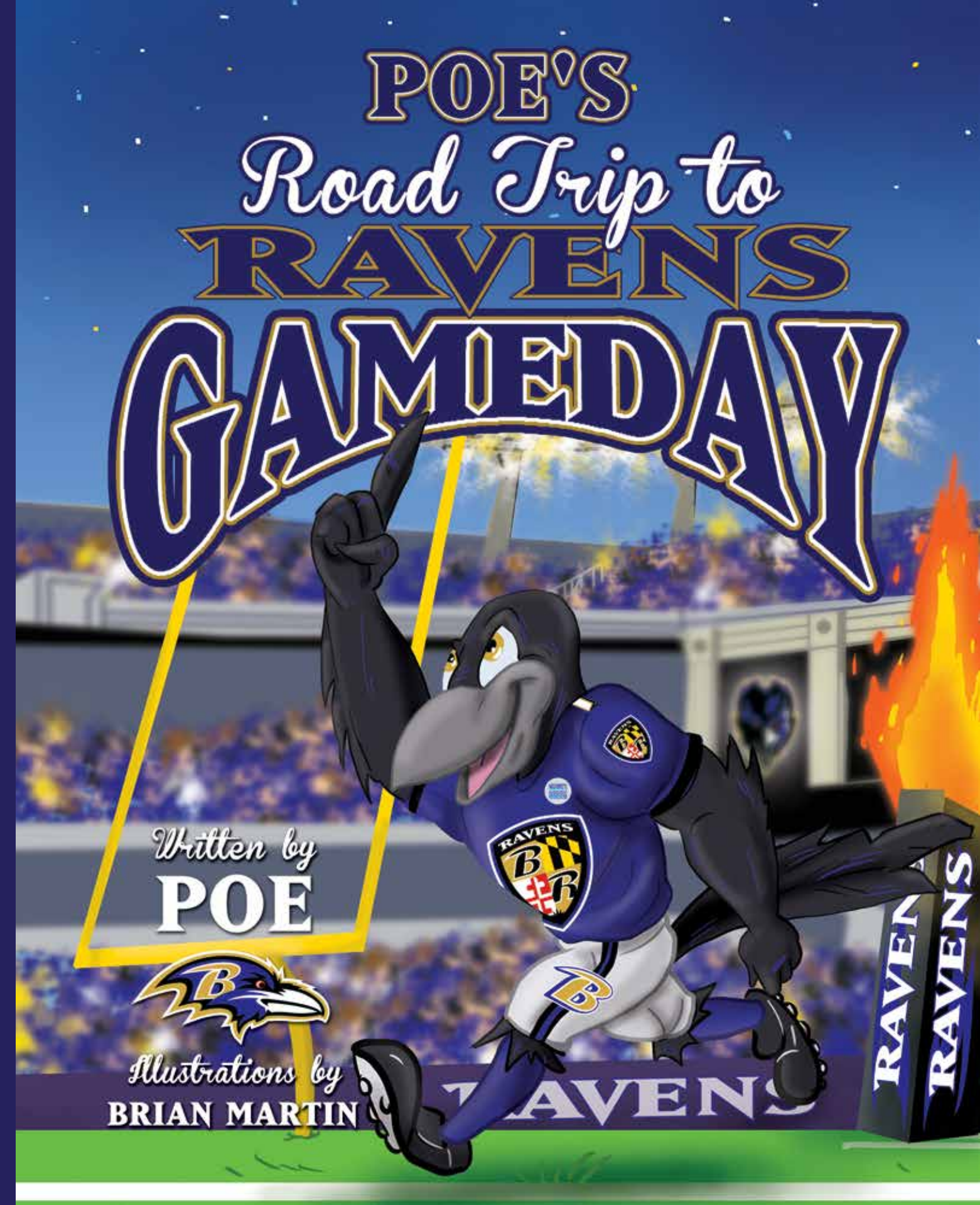
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It was a beautiful Monday morning in Baltimore as **POE**, the mascot for the Baltimore Ravens, woke up to start his day. After eating a healthy breakfast, Poe worked out with a few friends at the Merritt Athletic Club.



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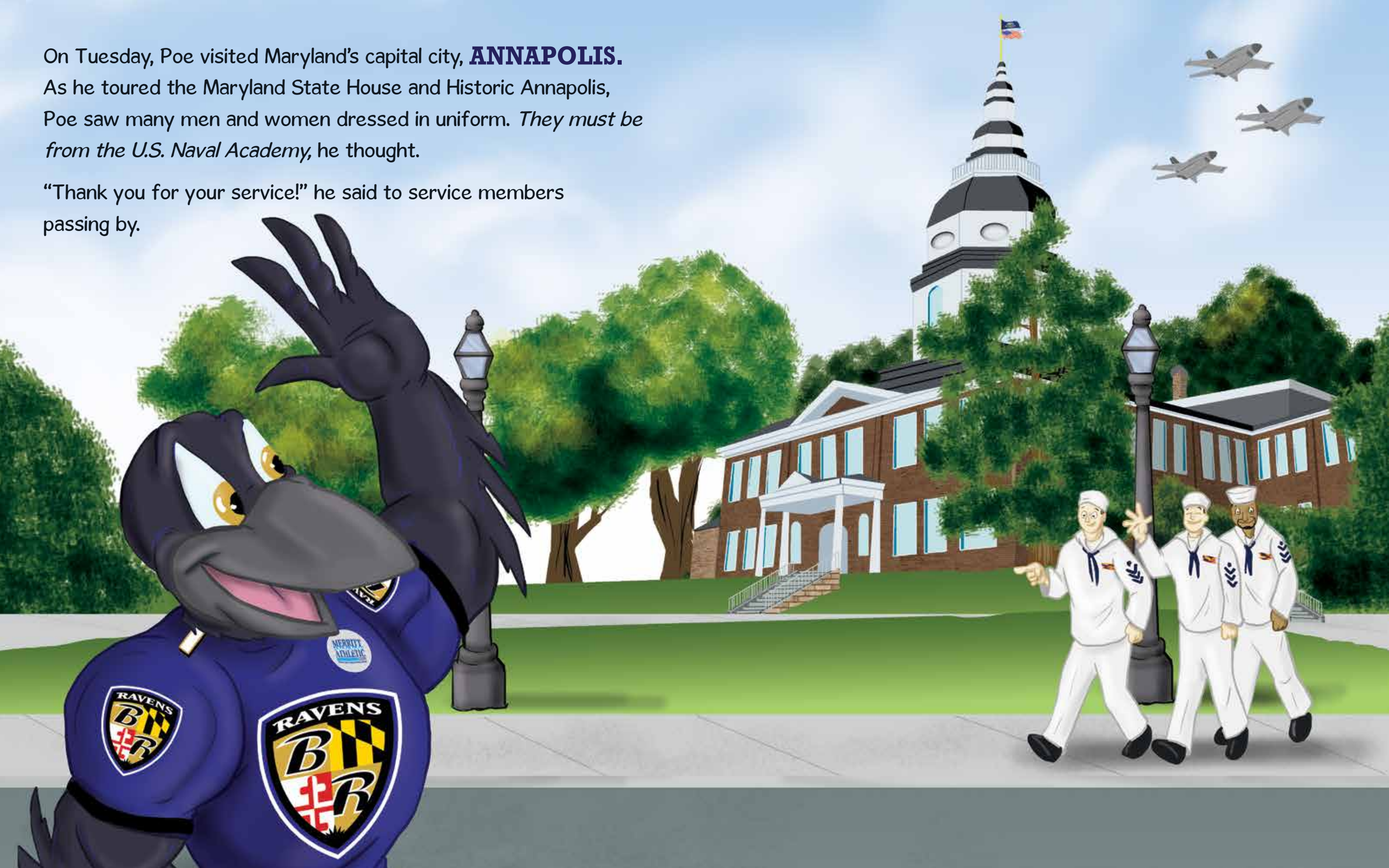


Later, Poe rode with his friends on the bookmobile to a nearby school. Poe was excited to share his favorite story, *The Raven*, with all of the students!

After Poe's reading, everyone went outside for field day. A few players from the **BALTIMORE RAVENS** were there to play a game of touch football with Poe. "I like to get up and play for 60 minutes every day!" Poe said.

On Tuesday, Poe visited Maryland's capital city, **ANNAPOLIS**.  
As he toured the Maryland State House and Historic Annapolis,  
Poe saw many men and women dressed in uniform. *They must be  
from the U.S. Naval Academy,* he thought.

"Thank you for your service!" he said to service members  
passing by.



On Wednesday, Poe spent the day in **OCEAN CITY**.  
He rode on a crabbing boat along Maryland's Eastern Shore,  
enjoying the afternoon sun.  
Poe also explored the boardwalk and met many Ravens fans.  
There was so much to do!





On Thursday, Poe visited City Hall in Baltimore with some of the Ravens' staff members. With the season about to start, it was time to paint the town **PURPLE!**

*Is my head really that big?* thought Poe, as he took pictures with a family next to the giant birdie head painted on the grass.





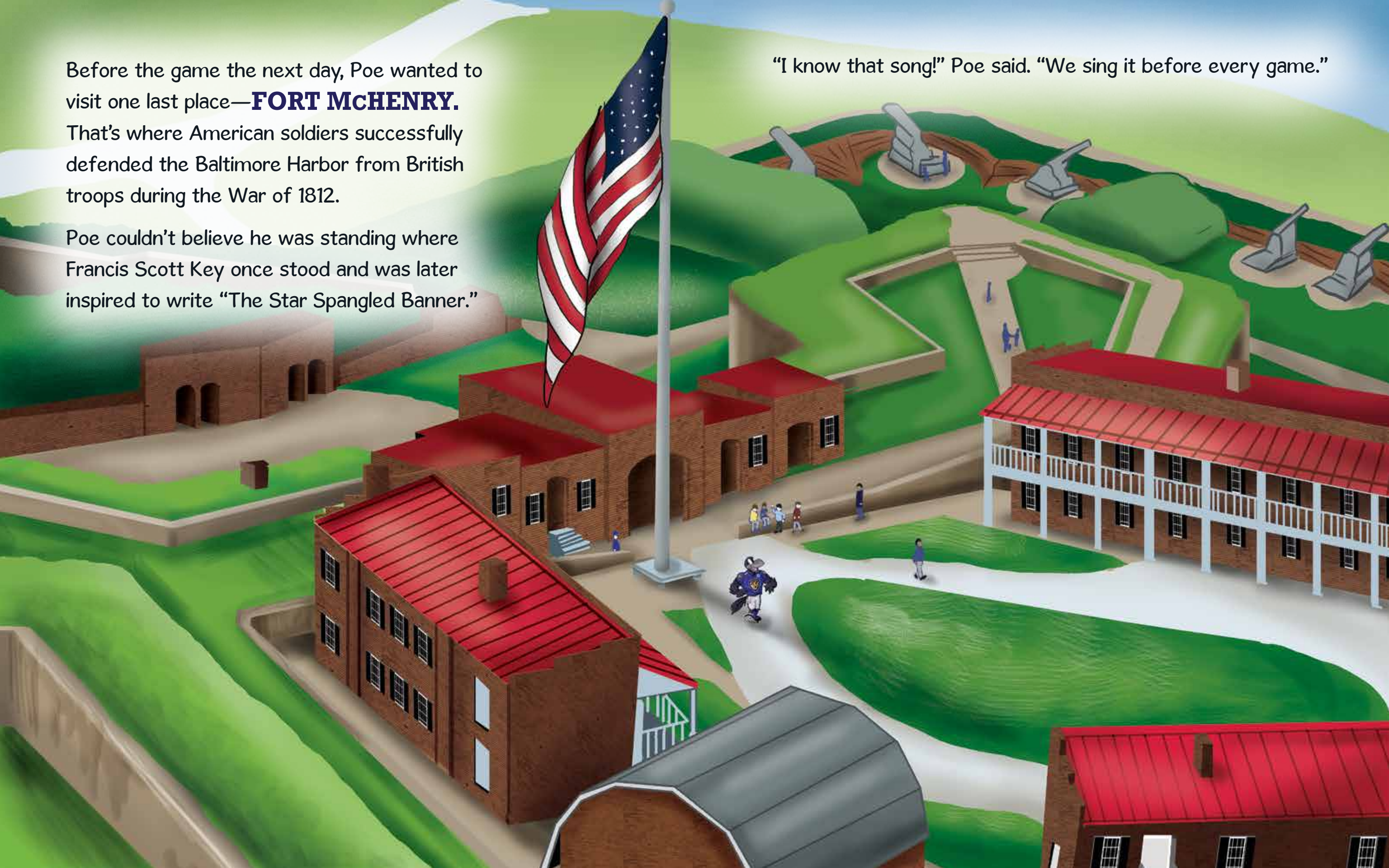
On Friday, Poe stopped by one of his favorite places, **THE MARYLAND ZOO** in Baltimore. He'd heard about the new African penguin exhibit and couldn't wait to check it out. Poe saw two real ravens near the Penguin Coast exhibit. "Hey, I know them! That's Rise and Conquer. They help me with my mascot duties for the team!"

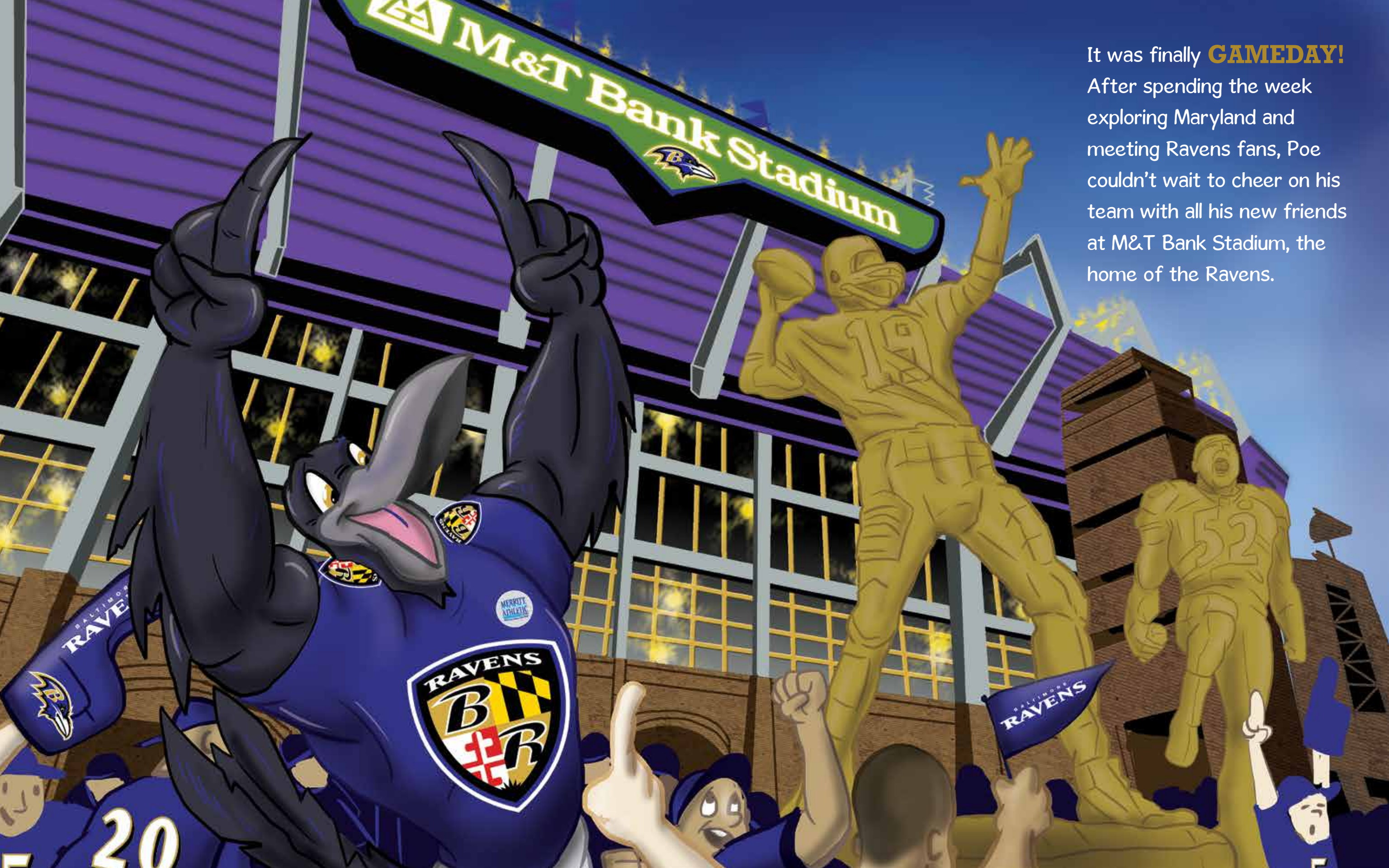
Walking around the zoo, Poe noticed many Ravens fans in **PURPLE**, his favorite color! Purple Friday is also his favorite day during Ravens season.

Before the game the next day, Poe wanted to visit one last place—**FORT MCHENRY**. That's where American soldiers successfully defended the Baltimore Harbor from British troops during the War of 1812.

Poe couldn't believe he was standing where Francis Scott Key once stood and was later inspired to write "The Star Spangled Banner."

"I know that song!" Poe said. "We sing it before every game."





It was finally **GAMEDAY!** After spending the week exploring Maryland and meeting Ravens fans, Poe couldn't wait to cheer on his team with all his new friends at M&T Bank Stadium, the home of the Ravens.

Before the game, Poe visited **RAVENSWALK** for pre-game festivities. With so many fans to meet, games to play, and food stations, he didn't know where to start!



It was just about time for the game to begin! After **POE** and the Ravens ran out of the tunnel, they stood on the sidelines and sang the national anthem. As they did, Poe remembered his visit to Fort McHenry, and the song felt extra special.





After kickoff, it didn't take long for the Ravens to march down the field. Soon, the announcer cheered, **"TOUCHDOWN, RAVENS!"**

After playing hard against the other team, the Ravens scored another touchdown late in the fourth quarter.

**THE RAVENS WON THE GAME!**

*It's the perfect ending to a great week, thought Poe, as he celebrated with fans and players.*







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