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I can tell you one thing: All the problems we inherited from eight do-nothing Republican years would have been six years more serious, that much longer neglected, that much more explosive.

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