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American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

a law authorizing several economic measures intended to stimulate economic recovery and job growth

Barack H. Obama

the 44th president of the United States, who served from 2009 to 2017; the nation's first African American president

Colin Powell

the first African American secretary of state

Condoleezza Rice

the first female African American secretary of state

Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act

a law passed in 1978 that severely limited surveillance of U.S. citizens by the National Security Administration

George W. Bush

the 43rd president of the United States, in office from 2001 to 2009

health care reform

a policy intended to expand access to health insurance coverage and comprehensive medical care

Hillary Clinton

the first woman to run for president as a representative of a major party; also served as a U.S. senator and secretary of state; was First Lady of the United States from 1992 to 2000

Homeland Security Act

a law passed in 2002 that created the federal Department of Homeland Security and established new anti-terrorism measures

Nancy Pelosi

U.S. representative from California and the first woman to serve as Speaker of the House

Office of Homeland Security

a federal agency tasked with protecting the United States from terrorist attacks; later became the Department of Homeland Security

outsourcing

the practice of sending work to outside enterprises to save money or increase efficiency

Patriot Act

a law passed in 2001 that greatly expanded the powers of the federal government to conduct surveillance

Sandra Day O'Connor

the first woman to serve on the U.S. Supreme Court

War on Terror

a combination of military, intelligence, and foreign policy efforts aimed at fighting terrorism worldwide