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Sommario/riassunto	Life does not stop simply because someone becomes president. Death, illness, sadness, and scandal affect every president and his family - often during their time in office. Yet the work of the nation and the

pressures of the job do not cease simply because a president suffers, though their reaction, suffering, and perseverance often alters the course of American history. Thus, the volume reveals alternately the frailty, the humanity, and the strength of character of the twelve presidents under scrutiny.

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