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other consumer products were not subject to safety standards, motor vehicles were not designed to protect their occupants, and when there was no federal insurance to protect investor money in brokerage accounts. These and other consumer rights came only after fierce battles in the decade from 1966 to 1976. This book focuses on the

enactment of these rights and on the unreported and unprecedented life and times of John Moss, one of the towering leaders of the d