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I believe in equal application of the laws and therefore continue to be troubled by President Ford's grant of a full pardon to former President Nixon.

While I can understand the many burdens heaped upon our former President and the heavy responsibilities weighing on President Ford, I believe that this action may have been premature, since no legal action has been brought against the former President.

I am just not convinced that the proper course has been followed. But one thing is clear. The President has the authority under the Constitution. He has acted and so it serves no useful purpose to comment further.