

2022 midterm elections

The Democrats averted a midterm catastrophe, yes, but it is rather startling to consider that Republicans spent the past two years defending a corrupt demagogue, attacking the democratic process, banning abortion across much of the land, offering few considered policy ideas of their own — and having taken the House, come so close of claiming the Senate too.

**Given all this,
Democrats would be wise to treat
the 2022 elections not as a vindication
but as a stay of execution.**

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