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"This book is a brilliant accomplishment in every respect, and one that certainly deserves the widest possible audience. . . . It seems likely to become the standard history of Katrina as documented by the media, both as an event and as a shared national memory of disaster." (Wheeler Winston Dixon, Ryan Professor of Film Studies, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, and author of Film and Television after 9/11 and Visions of the Apocalypse: Spectacles of Destruction in American Cinema)

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