Oh Snap! Watch the Best (and Gayest) Take on Obama's State of the Union

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In the short video above, you can watch journalist, author and national treasure Matt Baume offer an LGBT-centric take on the 2016 State of the Union address.

At one point, Baume lists off many of the advancements--such as same-sex marriage equality--that have taken place during Obama's two terms. Included on the list is the development of the National HIV/AIDS Strategy.

Baume notes that, although the AIDS epidemic started in the early 1980s, "it wasn't until 2010 that the nation had a comprehensive strategy to combat HIV, a disease that so far has killed about 700,000 people.*

"What took so long?" he asks. "Well, maybe it had something to do with the people who were dying."

Oh, Snap!

Speaking of which, Baume eviscerates the Republican Party's lame attempt to co-opt the literal "snap!" delivered by gay *Jeopardy* contestant Louis Virtel when he won a Daily Double. (The GOP created a GIF of Virtel with the title "Snap of the Union." Hee-larious, right?)

Of course Virtel served an even better retort via Twitter:

> Dear @GOP: The reason people liked my snap was because it defied regressive, homophobic, scary-ass losers like you. https://t.co/N1zddPOeZR
> -- Louis Virtel (@louisvirtel) January 12, 2016

Hey, GOP! Your candidates are horrifying garbage who’ve done nothing for LGBT rights. Don’t use my image. https://t.co/N1zddPOeZR

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* In case you’re wondering, the CDC reports that about 700,000 people with AIDS have died in the United States since the epidemic began. According to the World Health Organization, as of 2013, that global number is 39 million deaths.

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