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If $a, b > 0$; $a + b = 2$ then:

$$\frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} + 6ab \geq 8$$

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$$\text{Denote: } \begin{cases} S = a + b \\ P = ab \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} S = 2 \\ a^2 + b^2 = S^2 - 2P = 4 - 2P \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} + 6ab \geq 8 \Leftrightarrow \frac{a^2 + b^2}{a^2 b^2} + 6ab \geq 8$$

$$\frac{4 - 2P}{P^2} + 6P \geq 8 \Leftrightarrow 4 - 2P + 6P^3 - 8P^2 \geq 0$$

$$6P^3 - 6P^2 - 2P^2 + 2P - 4P + 4 \geq 0, \quad 6P^2(P - 1) - 2P(P - 1) - 4(P - 1) \geq 0$$

$$(P - 1)(3P^2 - P - 2) \geq 0, \quad (P - 1)(3P^2 - 3P + 2P - 2) \geq 0$$

$$(P - 1)[3P(P - 1) + 2(P - 1)] \geq 0, \quad (P - 1)^2(3P + 2) \geq 0 \quad (\text{true})$$

$$a, b > 0 \Rightarrow ab > 0 \Rightarrow P > 0 \Rightarrow 3P + 2 > 0$$

$$\text{Equality holds for } ab = 1 \Rightarrow a = b = 1.$$