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PROBLEM OF THE MONTH

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The sequence $\{x_n\}$ is defined by $x_1 = a$, $x_2 = b$ and $x_n = 2008x_{n-1} - x_{n-2}$ for all $n \ge 2$. Prove that there are positive integers a and b such that for all $n \ge 1$

 $1 + 2006x_n x_{n+1}$

is a perfect square.