Quotations from Dr. James W. (Jim) Curran’s speech during
“From Darkness to Light”: An Interfaith Service of Hope and Commitment.
Saturday, July 21, 2012
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Those who are memorialized in the quilts are no longer segregated by gender, by race, by age, by sexual orientation, or by country of origin. But rather they are united by the cause. As we are.

Throughout the 1st 31 years it has ALWAYS been people who have made the difference and have overcome the barriers which hold us back in our progress in the fight against AIDS.

Leadership in public health and in HIV prevention and care requires ... an entire society which must contribute to re-defining the unacceptable.

In addition to the virus itself there are three barriers to HIV prevention in every society in the world. These are Denial, Discrimination, and Scarcity.

HIV affects people in the poorest countries of the world and the poorest people in all countries of the world. It really doesn’t seem fair.

Never give in -- never, never, never, never, NEVER give in in the fight against AIDS.