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As a journalist, I believe wholeheartedly in being reserved in public as to my political beliefs. Nonetheless, I'm thrilled about the election of Barack Obama as the next president of the United States of America.

I believe that Sen. Obama will lead our nation to a better future. That said, I'm still a journalist. My task now is to be part of the chorus of people holding him accountable to his promises, which I look forward to doing.

This election is the beginning of a potentially wonderful journey for those of us seeking a national AIDS strategy, advancement in LGBT civil rights (despite setbacks in this election for same-sex marriage in California, Arizona and Florida, as well as adoption by LGBTs in Arkansas) and many more progressive ideals.

For now, let us rejoice in the hope of tomorrow!

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