We Are Clean... AND the Champions (of the World)

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Shawn is sporting a Freddie Mercury moustache to raise money for the MTV Staying Alive Foundation. Donations can now be made! $8 (£5.00) minimum through Saturday... for every $1 donated Durex is donating 5 condoms to HIV prevention efforts for MTV Staying Alive! LET'S DO THIS!!

"Are you ready, hey, are you ready for this?
Are you hanging on the edge of your seat?"
"Another One Bites the Dust" - Queen

My facial hair is complying- the power of Freddie Mercury's moustache is taking hold as World AIDS Day approaches, now less than one week away. I was wondering just how I'd reveal such an iconic moustache... and then I read about Jack Mackenroth and (the app) Moovz's #weareALLclean campaign to benefit Housing Works.

It's all about the word "clean" and how it's used to imply that anyone with HIV- or any other STI, is somehow dirty by proxy.

So yes, I'd love for you to support me in my World AIDS Day campaign by donating money on December 4, 5 and 6, (starting at 5 am EST on December 4th!!!) when donation amounts are doubled. But it would also be great to get as many people as possible to join in on the #weareALLclean movement on World AIDS Day. Use the hashtag- you don't have to post a shower selfie, either, if you aren't quite as bold as, say, Freddie Mercury, then don't worry: you can vocalize your support for the community and reinforce the idea that a positive test result doesn't mean someone is no longer sexually or emotionally attractive.

We are HIV positive. We are clean. And we are the champions of the world.

Positively Yours,
Shawn

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