

## **Romanovsky And Phillips "No False Hope"**

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(Thanks to Michael Callen and his wonderful book, *\_Surviving AIDS\_*, for inspiring this song. Also, a tip of the hat to our friend Alix Dobkin for some general words of wisdom: "There's no payoff in being a pessimist.")

Why are the papers full of gloom?  
Predicting a future of darkness and doom  
There's no denying many have died  
Lives have been lost, tears have been cried  
And there's so much pain, and so little relief  
That it's hard to feel hope in our moment of grief  
But if that's what it takes to help someone live  
Then we have a lot we can give  
Because there's no such thing as false hope  
There's no dream that isn't real  
No such thing as false hope  
No one can say what the future will reveal  
If we believe in our hearts that it's true  
Surely, our hope will pull us through  
Don't listen in to the TV scare  
It only weakens you with despair  
They paint a portrait full of doubt  
By leaving the long-term survivors out  
And as a result, how many are gone  
Because their hope was denied for too long?  
But if that's what it takes to help someone live  
Then we have a lot we can give  
Hope is on the horizon  
Help is on the way  
Love will pull us through another day  
Hope is the key that unlocks the mind  
Lightens the burden or leaves it behind  
And if that's what it takes to help someone live  
Then we have a lot we can give

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