

# Ban the Movie?

Timothy Shriver, chairman of the Special Olympics, is rightfully upset about the movie "Tropic Thunder." The film offers a stereotypical portrayal of the mentally retarded and callously refers to them as "retards." So what does Shriver want to do? "Ban the movie," he says.

"Ban the movie"? Just imagine if the Catholic League said that about some movie it was protesting (it never has). But don't look for the charge of censorship to roll off the lips of Shriver's critics: unlike films that bash Catholics, cruel depictions of the retarded are upsetting to them.