

# CMU    PREZ    APOLOGIZES    FOR “NAKED POPE”



Bill Donohue comments on the controversy at Carnegie Mellon University (CMU) over a female student who dressed as the pope while appearing naked from the waist down; she shaved her pubic hair in the shape of a cross:

CMU president Jared Cohon's apology is sincere and much appreciated. A final resolution of this incident has not been made, so it is too early to say whether CMU will treat this "highly offensive" act, as Cohon puts it, the way it will resolve a pending case involving fraternity students and sex videos.

To treat the female incident in a less severe manner would raise questions about CMU's sensitivity to anti-Catholicism, and would also put into play the issue of gender discrimination. We look forward to a just resolution to both of these indefensible incidents.