

COPS CHARGE CMU “NAKED POPE”

Carnegie Mellon

Bill Donohue comments on the Carnegie Mellon University (CMU) female art student who dressed as the pope in a street parade, appearing naked from the waist down; her pubic hair was shaved

in the shape of a cross:

The president of CMU, Jared Cohon, has released a statement explaining that campus police have filed misdemeanor charges against the offending student, as well as two others. His letter balances the need for freedom of expression with a commitment to fighting intolerance.

That is fine, but Cohon discredits real artistic merit when he says the student “made an artistic statement that proved to be controversial.” There is nothing artistic about this infantile anti-Catholic insult. But we appreciate his willingness not to dodge this issue.