## RIGHTS OF BABY CUT FROM WOMB UNCERTAIN

Catholic League president Bill Donohue addresses the uncertainties surrounding the eight-month old baby who was cut from her mother's womb in Worcester, Massachusetts:

When Barack Obama was in the Illinois state senate, he led the fight to deny health care to babies born as a result of a botched abortion. It is not certain what he would say if asked whether the baby who survived being cut from the womb of Darlene Haynes should be attended to by physicians.

Nor is it certain what one of his science advisors would say. John P. Holdren, director of the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy, co-authored a book in the 1970s wherein he maintained that an unborn child "after birth, will ultimately develop into a human being." (My italics.) This would seem to indicate that this baby, in particular, isn't a human being. Holdren is also on record saying that he supports the right of trees to sue: In the 1970s, he wrote that "natural objects" like trees should be given standing in court. He maintained that by allowing trees to sue, it would have a "most salubrious" effect on the environment.

In other words, it is questionable whether kids who survive an abortion or a murderer's knife are entitled to health care, but it is about time we granted rights to weeping willows. And this was supposed to be the most ethical administration in American history. It just doesn't get any sicker than this.