VIRGINIA GOVERNOR JUSTIFIES INFANTICIDE

Virginia Governor Ralph Northam, following the lead of New York Governor Andrew Cuomo, is not content to promote the killing of children in the womb through term. He wants, as Cuomo has already sanctioned, the killing of children who survive an abortion.

When asked about a bill by Democrat Kathy Tran that would allow women going into labor to abort their child, Northam said he was just fine with that.

"If a mother is in labor, I can tell you exactly what would happen. The infant would be delivered. The infant would be kept comfortable. The infant would be resuscitated if that's what the mother and the family desired, and then a discussion would ensue between the physicians and the mother."

It is so thoughtful of Gov. Northam to assure us that the baby would be "kept comfortable" before they put him down or let him die.

Here's an early 19th century analogy.

"The slave would be resuscitated if that's what the master and the family desired, and then a discussion would ensue between lawmakers and the owner."

The Democratic Party is fast becoming the party of death. Every Democrat running for president, including those who may run, should be asked whether they agree with Northam. This is a defining moment. They should also be asked who else they think does not merit the most basic of human rights.

REACTION TO NORTHAM IS STUNNING

It is a sign of the times that more liberals are upset about the decades-old racist antics of Virginia Gov. Ralph Northam than they are his blood-curdling remarks about infants. Whether Northam is guilty of dressing in Klan garb for a yearbook photo is debatable—he seems not to know—but his blackface imitation of Michael Jackson is not. To be sure, his racist behavior is offensive, but his support for murdering innocent infants is far worse.

When asked about a bill by Virginia lawmaker Kathy Tran that would allow a woman going into labor to abort her child, the governor, who is a pediatric neurologist, said that in such a situation the child would be delivered, "kept comfortable," resuscitated, and then, if the mother and her physician decided to end his life, he would be left to die.

When prominent Democrats were asked if they agreed with Northam's support for infanticide, they demurred, saying they did not have all the facts. The media also played games with these stories, running four-to-five times as many reports on his racist stunts than they did his statements on the child.

No media outlet was more stunningly obscene than the *Washington Post*: It ran an editorial condemning Northam for his racism yet said not a word about his Hitlerian ethics. Looks like their moral compass has crashed. Here is another way of looking at these issues.

What would the reaction be if instead of his blackface stunt, Northam had dressed in priestly garb that featured him sporting an erection (such an outfit is sold every year at Halloween)? Would those calling for him to resign because of his racism ask him to resign for his anti-Catholicism? What would the reaction be if instead of okaying the killing of an infant, he okayed the killing of newborn cats and dogs? Would those making light of his support for infanticide be as complacent about his death wish for animals?

Tragically, we know the answers. Such is the state of morality in liberal quarters these days.

CUOMO'S ABORTION LAW WREAKS HAVOC

Last month, a New Yorker from Queens, Anthony Hobson, beat and dragged his girlfriend, Jennifer Irigoyen, down a flight of stairs and then stabbed her in the neck, abdomen and torso. He stabbed her in the stomach because he wanted to kill the baby he fathered (some news stories say she was 14 weeks pregnant and others put the figure at 20 weeks). The pregnant woman shouted, "He's got a knife. He's going to kill the baby!"

Hobson killed both the woman and her baby. He was immediately charged with two crimes, but the charge for killing her baby was subsequently dropped: it was noted that Gov. Andrew Cuomo's new abortion law provides no penalties for the killing of unborn children; abortion was removed from the criminal code and inserted into the public health law. Cuomo has not commented on what he has wrought.

The Albany lawmaker who sponsored the bill that Cuomo lobbied for, State Sen. Liz Krueger, and her colleague in the senate, Anna Kaplan, authored an article in the *Times Union* that disagrees with the Queens prosecutor's interpretation of the law. They say there is nothing in the law that prevents any prosecutor from charging someone like Hobson for a crime. They say Hobson could be prosecuted for first-degree assault, a sentence that is harsher than the previous sentence for "unlawful abortion."

Who's got the better of the argument? The only way to settle this is to have clarity, and that means a new statute needs to be written that addresses this issue. We are calling on Sen. Krueger to work with other lawmakers, in both chambers, to draft legislation that makes it a crime to murder the baby of a pregnant woman.