The diplomatic answer of the year goes to . . .



David Cassidy

"Whenever you promote sharing and loving, I think it's a very positive thing; and, as a parent, I'm able to transcend my personal dislike for large purple puppets."

-- Actor-

singer David Cassidy, father of 2½-year-old Beau, on the subject of much-maligned-but-kids-love-him Barney, in TV Guide.