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## **Comments Received:**

The United States prides itself on being the land of the free, with robust civil liberties and protections for American citizens compared to nations around the world. Our freedoms are sacred and must be protected at all cost. Being able to renew our passports with the correct information is important to those freedoms. That includes the ability to renew a passport with the correct gender markers for any individual, rather than using the outdated and unnecessary sex marker. A person's biological sex at birth is not relevant to their ability to travel internationally and the replacing of correct gender markers with outdated sex markers is a form of unnecessary discrimination that is both anti-American and violates the Constitution of the United States of America. Further, the use of simplistic sex markers - F and M - is not backed by biology as there are multiple sexes in the human species. Not allowing transgender individuals to renew their passports with the correct information is simply a form of discrimination against a tiny percentage of the population and is an assault on their rights in this country.