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As one of the millions of American women this executive order claims to defend, I think it's appropriate to share my perspective on it.

It's unfortunate to see incorrect and missing information in an order that aims to restore biological truth. The order omits the biological reality of intersex people altogether. Its definitions of biological sex are also incorrect — biological sex is not determinable at conception, as the order states. Biological sex can only be confirmed at 8 to 10 weeks of pregnancy.

The gender marker someone lists on their passport renewal form doesn't have any effect on me, or the average American, whatsoever. As someone who favors government efficiency and limited government interference in the matters of private citizens, I don't think it makes good financial sense to remove the current gender marker from the passport renewal application, or to add extra requirements for applicants to prove biological sex. Who will be enforcing these new policies? How much will it cost to change and reprint all the passport renewal forms, and destroy all the old copies? And how much of that cost burden will be placed on the American taxpayer? These are just a few logistics that must be accounted for.

I've never doubted that my gender aligns with my sex at birth. I've never faced the same discrimination, harassment, and violence that trans and non-binary people have. I'm blessed to know a few trans and non-binary people — they're kind, intelligent, hard-working Americans who deserve the same protections and rights as the rest of us. More, in fact, considering the rise of anti-trans and anti-queer rhetoric and violence.

My closing comment, again, as one of the women this order claims to represent: My hope for America is that all our citizens, including those who are gender non-conforming, can live free, and our tax dollars are spent on educating our children and caring for our most vulnerable citizens. I know this is a dream that millions of Americans share, and I know many will agree that this order will divert resources away from those efforts and make that dream harder to achieve.