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I am a sociologist with expertise in social change related to sexuality and gender. I am well aware of the decades of work that advocates for transgender, nonbinary, and intersex individuals had to go through to secure the ability to have an X designation on their passports. This is a crucial safety issue for members of these groups. It allows them to travel with dignity and safety. To remove the ability to place an X in the gender category would cause great harm to these individuals. Further, to refuse to accept one's lived gender causes safety issues for trans people whose passports should reflect their gender identity. It is appalling that these rights, which affect American citizens, are backsliding for no purpose beyond alienating them from social life and making their everyday lives more difficult. Lawmakers should be ashamed of themselves for this anti-trans, anti-NB, and anti-intersex activism.