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The proposed changes assign a narrow, binary understanding of gender to the American public that is incongruent with the modern understanding of gender as a social concept. If the purpose of a passport is to accurately and unambiguously portray the identity of the holder, then the proposed changes make the US passport less viable for its intended use. Furthermore, using identity document applications to single out a subset of Americans for discrimination is morally wrong and runs counter to the mission of the Department of State.