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To whom it may concern,

The President's recent actions within an executive order to restrict individuals from using their preferred gender marker on passports are not only horrific, but also unconstitutional. The president's executive order violates the rights of Americans to have equal protection, irrespective of gender identity, as many trans and intersex americans are being denied documentation that aligns with their presentation. In turn, the president's executive order violates the first amendment for the freedom of speech and expression.

Many transgender individuals are either being denied passports, given passports with the wrong gender marker, or having their passports withheld by passport agencies. This violates the rights of humans to travel, and violates the APA.

To defend the freedom of speech and to protect Americans while traveling abroad, the president's executive order should be reversed, and passport policies in regard to gender marker should be reversed to that of the prior administration