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## **Comments Received:**

I urge you to consider allowing individuals to choose the gender identity which best fits them. Choosing one's gender as the individual sees fit does not cause harm to anyone, including the person applying or anyone who encounters the passport through means of identification or travel. The changes proposed by President Trump are meant to inflict harm on an already vulnerable population. This country has an equal protection amendment and it needs to be followed, not just because it is legally required but because it is also the humane thing to do. Both are important and our constitution supports this. Please allow US citizens to choose the gender of their choice on passport applications.