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As a taxpaying American citizen, I am outraged at the dog whistle that denying gender marker changes has become. Transgender people have existed for millenia, and the passport renewal criteria is onerous and places transgender people directly in harm's way. It is capricious and in no way affects the security of travellers. I know several trans individuals who are afraid, to fly, to have identification that outs them to everyone that they must show this document to, and that feel directly targeted. These are my neighbors, friends, small business owners, and people just like you and I. Instead of wasting taxpayer funds to deny trans people passports and requiring extra scrutiny along with endangerment over a non-issue, the Trump administration should focus on affordability and cost of living.