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Removing the gender marker and replacing it with sex and requiring it be filled in congruence with the assigned sex at birth is a direct attack on the dignity and safety of the transgender community and indeed anyone who was born intersex or otherwise suffers from gender dysphoria which is an internationally recognized debilitating emotional condition for which the only proven effective treatment for is gender transition. This change merely serves to further marginalize a community and class that has already fallen victim to an innumerable amount of abuse and discrimination the world over. These changes to US passports are a disgrace to the United States and puts us behind our allies and peers to the North, South, and across the ocean in Europe. We are a joke in the eyes of the world and our persecution of trans people is but one of it's many cruel punchlines.