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## **Comments Received:**

The purpose of a passport is to identify an individual and their corresponding identity with speed and clarity. The current executive order mandating that one's identity be tied to blood work, internal organs, and the 23rd chromosome undermines the entire purpose of a passport. Even if this mandate was based on science or medicine, the executive order will only lead to more invasive screenings, more false positives, and more abuse of travelers, resulting in slower screenings and decreased efficiency.

The gender identifier on all forms of identification, passports included, must reflect what is most outwardly true and observable. Not what is most technically correct. If the discrepancy is so vital as to warrant invasive examinations outside of a clinical setting, then the gender identifier is wholly unhelpful, and should be omitted altogether.