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As a transgender US citizen, I feel that the ability to update, change, correct, or replace a passport is vital to the survival of citizens both within the country and abroad. While the administration's Executive Orders attempt to limit and infringe the rights of all transgender Americans, the potential of being denied a passport that reflects ones' current identity (as opposed to an arbitrary definition using vague and unscientific criteria such as "sex at conception") is paramount.

Given that a large number of US citizens rely on their passports for everything from the right to travel to (in some jurisdictions) being able to register to vote, the State Department has a duty to allow its citizens to have access to a passport which reflects their current status. To suggest otherwise would be to deny multiple classes of citizens their Constitutional rights, and would have ripple affects among both intersex citizens and anyone (regardless of gender or sex) who happens to not "fit in" with the arbitrary social conventions which this administration is attempting to mandate via Executive Order.