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I urge you to disregard the harmful, transphobic changes related to and/or because of the "Defending Women from Gender Ideology Extremism and Restoring Biological Truth to the Federal Government" executive order. The definitions in the executive order, specifically the ability to produce a particular gamete as the determining factor to establish what sex/gender marker is used on the passport serves no purpose in aiding this process. Real IDs follow state jurisdictions and some states may allow for transgender identity or "x" gender on their identification, which creates a discord between a federal document (passport) and a state document which is used for travel between states.

The widely agreed upon scientific understanding of genetics, chromosomes, and internal sense of gender asserts that transgender identity is real and that denying the existence of trans- or expansive gender identity is life-threatening to transgender individuals. These changes will cause significant, life-threatening harm to transgender, gender non-conforming, and intersex individuals, and will likely increase the suicide rate among transgender individuals, which is already concerning high.

Lastly, there is no clear reason why gender markers are necessary for a passport to begin with. Information about a person's gender and body are irrelevant to international travel.