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I am writing to request that the Department of State allow individuals to select their own gender and not be forced to use "gender determined at birth" as per President Trump's recent executive order.

This order prevents individuals who are intersex from accurately reporting their gender, and the order falsely claims that there are only 2 genders. For those in the intersex community, this amounts to erasure of their experiences.

Furthermore, there is no need that I can see for there to be "only two genders" or force people to use any particular gender. It is not difficult to have a larger menu of options and to allow individuals to identify as they wish. This seems like simple personal freedom of expression.

Perhaps a better route would be to eliminate the gender category entirely, for what information are you expecting to get with that designation? It seems only like an opportunity to stereotype and define people by culturally constructed ideas of gender.