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## **Comments Received:**

Transgender, non-binary, intersex and gender non-conforming people have existed for forever across cultures and have contributed meaningfully to society - this ruling not only is an effort to pretend that is not pure fact, but is also directly putting those people in danger when traveling abroad because their passport doesn't align with their gender expression (transgender people already experience a disproportionate threat of violence and this passport ruling further perpetuates that). This is unconstitutional under the 14th amendment, is un-American as it's directly interfering with citizens fundamental rights to "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness".

Alan Hart (trans man who established x-rays being the gold standard used for screening tuberculosis), Mrs. Nash (general custer's wife's midwife - married 4 times and discovered she was trans after her death), Christine Jorgensen (first widely known person in the U.S. to have SRS), Michael Dillon (first trans man to have phalloplasty), Albert Cashier (transgender civil war soldier), Mahu of Hawaiian and Tahitian cultures / Muxe of Mexico / Sipiniq of Inuit / Hijra of India / Ladyboys or Kathoey of Thailand / Two-Spirit of Indigenous American communities / Sekrata of Madagascar / etc.