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## **Comments Received:**

As a biologist with a PhD, the idea of biological sex being immutable and only reflecting male (XY) or female (XX) anatomy and presentation is scientifically inaccurate. There are many people who are born intersex (same percent of the global population as people with red hair-- so many people!), people who have XX or XY chromosomes, but the expression of their secondary sexual characteristics is different due to hormonal expression, and even people who have extra or fewer X and Y chromosomes. How are people such as this supposed to acquire a passport that reflects their biological sex if it is simply listed as male or female? Further, sex is a less relevant indicator of how a person moves throughout the world and presents compared to gender. What is changing the term in the application from "gender" to "sex" trying to prove or do, if it is scientifically inaccurate and less functionally relevant compared to gender?

Further, as a cisgender woman, know that the safety of women are not affected by trans people or people in the LGBTQIA+community. It is instead threatened by politics that seek to stifle the safety of others, such as those outlined here to make it harder for people to simply live their lives.