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Updating USA passports to list "sex" instead of "gender" is a decision that would complicate the use of a passport by transgender Americans. Using a gender marker, which represents how that person presents themselves, is a more useful personal identification marker than sex. This is a primary purpose of a passport, to easily identify the individual it is issued to. I strongly believe in the rights of my fellow Americans to be able to use their passports domestically and abroad without issue. The American passport should remain one of the strongest passports in the world.

Beyond this infringement on the rights of our beloved citizens, listing "sex" on American passports ignores entirely the existence of intersex people. Chromosomes are not as simple as "XY" and "XX" and neither is biological sex. This attempt to simplify biological reality into two neat options is anti-science and anti-american. If our great nation is to stand for anything, it should stand for the freedom and equality of all Americans. Ignoring reality in favor of the extreme ideologies of the anti-trans movement would be a huge mistake and stain on the history of the country.

Thank you for your time in reading this. This decision would be greatly detrimental to the societal fabric of our country, on top of being a logistical headache we simply do not need.