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Passports are a highly important form of identification especially while traveling abroad, and having a gender marker that does not align with one's appearance puts transgender, gender non-conforming, and intersex people at an increased risk of discrimination and abuse. These changes serve no practical purpose except to erase transgender and intersex people and put them in harms way. It is a shame that my identity as a cisgender woman is being used to justify such changes. I have never been hurt by a transgender or intersex person before, but I have seen transgender and intersex people be hurt by others for their sex and gender identity. Passports exist to ensure safe and secure traveling for American citizens; these changes are in opposition to that goal. I do not support these changes, and I implore our state officials to reverse them.