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Hello, as an American citizen, I find these changes to be both wasteful and ineffective, not to mention unlawful.

If the purpose of a gender marker on identification is just that, to aid in identification, then tying it to additional, irrelevant information, such as medical information at infanthood, is pointless. This change also is debilitating to intersex people.

Additionally, it wastes government employee time, and contributes to the harassment of US citizens when a person does not "look" like the gender marker assigned. I'm a short, skinny man with facial hair, but a high-sounding voice. There are many transgender men who appear far more masculine than I do. I have no criminal record and have had multiple background checks, and yet I would fear being harassed when I travel. These proposed changes would worsen this for me, endangering both myself and them. Why should TSA, FAA, or other employees need to scrutinize me when I travel, Just because I appear androgynous? They should be able to do their jobs, and I, as a US Citizen, should be able to travel legally without fear. I do not care what other Americans want on their ID, and the government has no business choosing for them. Should law abiding Americans be accused of fraud or denied medical treatment while abroad if their identifier doesn't match their appearance? Does that paint a positive picture of the USA to foreign nationals?

Why further complicate paperwork processes when gender markers were not even introduced until the 1970s? Wasn't the goal of this administration "efficiency?" This is expensive and wasteful of taxpayer money, not to mention endangering US Citizens both home and abroad.

These changes already go against the ruling of the Zzyym v. Blinken case (formerly Zzyym v. Pompeo, Zzyym v. Tillerson, and Zzyym v. Kerry), and the executive order that spurred these changes is in violation of the 14th amendment of the US Constitution. These changes are purely partisan and un-American, rather than in the best interests of the American people.. The government has a legal and constitutional duty to provide us with proper identification and proof of citizenship. With our limited funds and manpower, I wholeheartedly encourage you to reject these changes. Thank you for your attention.