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The proposed changes to the passport application form are completely unacceptable for multiple reasons. Not only are these proposed changes based on false assumptions and conducted with extremely poor methodology, they are also an ludicrous waste of taxpayer dollars and creates actively inefficient, wasteful busywork for federal employees.

The requirement that a passport applicant must have their sex assigned at birth is a direct attack on an extraordinarily small portion of the population. It forces these individuals to create a record that allows an openly hostile administration to disproportionately target them for discriminatory harassment. Additionally, this policy will result in a mismatch between the affected individuals' official documents; this not only places an undue legal and bureaucratic burden on them, but also strains the resources of the federal government by creating unnecessary confusion and disruption for federal employees that handle the resulting paperwork.

The additional required markers for sex offenders - particularly those who were convicted as minors, convicted of a sex offense under overly broad definitions (such as public urination and obscenity law convictions), or those who have been rehabilitated - is also unacceptable. This marker requirement creates an undue burden for these individuals, many of whom have already paid their debt to society or have been subject to unconstitutional, overly-broad laws, restricting their lawful movement and freedoms within and outside of the United States borders.

As a taxpaying citizen registered to vote, I find these proposed changes to be an inexcusable waste of my tax dollars and little more than a farcical publicity stunt that draws vital resources away from legitimate policy enforcement and procedures. I join other concerned citizens in demanding that the change to require passports to display sex assigned at birth, the change of wording from "gender" to "sex" on the passport fields, and any and all other attempts to collect similarly personal and sensitive data to be denied and reversed immediately.