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I strongly oppose the revisions to the U.S. passport application process under E.O. 14168, which require listing only the biological sex assigned at birth. This change is not only unnecessary but also directly undermines the legal rights of transgender individuals who have already updated their identity documents to reflect their affirmed gender.

This policy denies the scientific reality that intersex and transgender people exist. Furthermore, this effort is a waste of money and time when the government is stating that they are trying to improve efficiency.

Many states allow individuals to amend their birth certificates, driver's licenses, and other legal documents to align with their gender identity. For first-time passport applicants, requiring them to list their sex assigned at birth—especially when all their supporting documents reflect their lived gender—creates legal inconsistencies and unnecessary barriers. This policy forces transgender individuals to present conflicting documentation, which could result in delays, denials, and increased scrutiny that no other applicant faces.

Furthermore, requiring sex assigned at birth serves no valid security or identity verification purpose. It merely exposes transgender individuals to potential discrimination and harassment, both during the application process and while using their passport. The federal government should recognize and respect legally updated documents rather than imposing arbitrary and harmful restrictions that invalidate a person's identity.

It is the duty of the US Government to protect all US citizens and this policy is clearly intended to inflict harm.

I urge the administration to reverse this policy and uphold a passport process that respects the dignity, safety, and legal rights of all individuals.