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## **Comments Received:**

I don't understand how a country built on the principles of "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness" could be so overt in its denial of those principles to its own population. Transgender, intersex, and gender-expansive individuals should be given the basic amount of respect provided to ALL citizens in our great nation. They just want to live their lives as their fullest, most authentic selves. What's it matter if their passport shows an M, F, or an X to accomplish that? Allowing people to choose their own gender marker a small concession of no impact to the State Department or anyone else, and is the bare minimum liberty that should be afforded to people in our nation.