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Hello, I am a California voter commenting on the proposed change: "To comply with E.O. 14168, "Defending Women from Gender Ideology Extremism and Restoring Biological Truth to the Federal Government," the Department updated the form to replace the term "gender" with "sex." The U.S. Passport conforms with the standards set by the E.O. and the International Civil Aviation Organization, which among other things determine the various fields on the passport's biographical data page. Consistent with the E.O., the revised DS-82 will request the applicant's biological sex at birth, male "M" or female "F." Amendments to the fields and instructions (section 3) have been made to reflect this."

As a cisgender woman, I would like to state that I don't need "protecting" from the existence of transgender, nonbinary, and intersex people. They exist, and I think they should be able to get and renew their passports without being told that they don't. There is no benefit to the American people in adding this change, and I think that any effort put towards making this change is a waste of my tax money. Please do not do this.