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The purpose of a passport is to verify the identity and citizenship of the holder whether it be at ports of entry for job interviews or to receive government services. The definitions set out in the executive order, specifically those identifying the ability to produce a particular gamete as the determining factor to establish what sex/gender marker is used on the passport serves no purpose in aiding this process.

This proposal will expose many Americans, male and female to potential inappropriate screenings, possible assault, and waste the time and resources of airport/border security agents across the nation. A transgender man, with full facial hair and otherwise masculine appearance who presents a passport with an F gender marker will raise questions and require additional screenings. Women that are not transgender but don't fit stereotypical definitions of feminine may be subject to similar issues.

If the executive branch is worried about the use of language, it would be more appropriate to remove the marker entirely. Birthday, citizenship, name, and place of birth are vital to assuring identification, not a letter meant to indicate what genitals you have.

Additionally, this process hinders states that have already enacted Real ID issuance and have established their own processes for changing gender markers, many of which have required physician verification or court orders. If a transgender individual has already met the requirements of their state, why should the state department invalidate that?