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I am writing in opposition of this policy. Although the stated intent is to improve the accuracy of information collected, it will force non-binary individuals to falsely report their gender as either male or female. In the last fourteen days, this rule has been misapplied numerous times by state officials to illegally confiscate the passports of US citizens. Transgender and intersex individuals are the sole victims of this breach of civil liberties, highlighting the discriminatory nature of this policy. The lawsuits that inevitably follow have cost the state thousands of taxpayer dollars in legal settlements and underline the unconstitutionality of this rule. I hope you take a stand against this attempt to strip American citizens of their right to travel the country freely and reject this policy change.