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Regarding Doc. 2025-02697 Filed 2-14-25; 8:45 am, I am writing to express my opposition to the proposed rule change to eliminate non binary gender options from US passport applications. This proposed change is both unlawful and violates the spirit of our Constitution which enshrines the right of self determination. Eliminating the non-binary gender option on passport applications is a harmful step backward. Gender is a deeply personal and intrinsic aspect of identity, and for many individuals, being forced to choose between "male" or "female" is not only inaccurate but also discriminatory. Recognizing non-binary gender identities on official documents ensures that all people, regardless of how they identify, can travel and exist with dignity and respect. Everyone deserves the right to have their identity recognized and respected in every aspect of life, including on their passport