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Ensuring the safety of U.S. citizens when traveling should always be at the forefront of our policies. This includes passport policies. Every citizen deserves a U.S. passport that matches who they are to ensure they can safely travel, obtain employment, interact with law enforcement, and go about their daily lives without fear of harassment, undue scrutiny, and discrimination.

It is a burden on passport applicants to be asked for evidence of our biological sex at birth, and a waste of government time and resources to require State Department employees to research this information. This policy is not well considered. Please State Department, I urge you to reject this policy change –do not take away the rights of trans, intersex, and nonbinary citizens to obtain a passport that reflects who they are, a right we've had here in the United States for over 30 years.