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I want to comment on the requirement that passports reflect the sex assigned at birth instead of the person's gender. This has caused so much unnecessary pain and anxiety for wonderful people in my life and community, because it outs them to anyone who sees their passport. One individual's passport came back with a changed gender from what it had been previously. I want whoever reads this to sit there and think for a moment what that must feel like to open your passport and have had the government not only reject who you are, but open you up to unnecessary outing to people who may well be hostile to you. Frankly, is it that important that the passport reflect what someone's genitals were? Make no mistake that is at all the sex assigned at birth requirement does is shoves that in people's faces, rather than identifying that the person on the passport is who they say they are. The moment someone gets this passport back, they have to prepare for all these unnecessary conversations that only hurt them and have nothing to do with legal passage of individuals in good standing between nations.