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As a citizen of the United States with a valid passport, I am opposed to the proposed regulation that will revise the DS-11 to request the applicant's biological sex at birth, male "M" or female "F." This revision will deny accurate passports to trans people, a very small population of the United States and a very vulnerable group. The expense to the federal government in enforcing this requirement as well as the expense from exposing trans people to violence and discrimination must be avoided.

In addition, there will be countless impacts from this unnecessary rule in every aspect of economic and public life for trans people, including transportation, opening bank accounts, purchasing homes, and securing education.

I urge the State Department to conserve federal funding and to reject this unnecessary revision to DS-11