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I have no doubt in my mind that my comment will go ignored, even if it is read. The public comment period is merely a formality. This will be pushed through at the behest of the President's unchecked agenda, with complete disregard to - and seemingly even gleeful celebration of - the harm that it will cause to transgender people. I am sure that others in the 11 million other comments have remarked on the potential impact and the executive order's lack of understanding of "biological truth" more eloquently than I can.

When did our country become like this? George Washington stepped down after two terms because he wanted to set an example on the limitation of presidential power. He expressly warned against political parties in his farewell address, because he feared they would become tools for the powerful to subvert the will of the people. And yet, now we see a sitting President abusing the power of executive orders to unilaterally change government policy in such a way as to make even more vulnerable an already vulnerable minority group.

It feels wrong, is all.