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As an American citizen I urge you to reject E.Q. 14168, "Defending Women from Gender Ideology Extremism and Restoring Biological Truth to the Federal Government". Trans and intersex people are our friends, our family, our coworkers, our neighbors, and our community. I do not support this type of discrimination in my country.

All of us, including trans and intersex people, need identity documents that provide accurate information relevant to their usage. Every U.S. citizen deserves a U.S. passport that accurately matches their identifying features and information, however, biological sex is not a relevant identifier to ones ability to safely travel, obtain employment, interact with law enforcement, and or go about ones daily life without fear of harassment, undue scrutiny, and or discrimination.

It is an undue burden on passport applicants to be asked for evidence of our biological sex at birth, and a waste of the government's time and money to require State Department employees to research this information. It is irrelevant to the intended usage of a passport.

It further wastes TSA's time and resources to verify the legitimacy of a legal U.S. Passport because the biological sex and the visible gender presentation do not "match." For example, my recently returned renewed passport which includes a picture taken on the application site in which I have a naturally grown beard, that also lists my sex as F. This unnecessary cognitive dissonance creates opportunities for miscommunication, undue scrutiny, and unjust discrimination.

E.Q. 14168, "Defending Women from Gender Ideology Extremism and Restoring Biological Truth to the Federal Government," unjustly targets a small population of U.S. citizens and denies them the identification documents they need to safely travel and go about their lives. It does not change the personal identities that any American person holds, it only inconveniences the holder of the passport and wastes the time and resources of every government department that has future interaction with that passport by making the process more inefficient and the passport functionally inaccurate.

Please maintain the rights of Americans to have autonomy over their self-identification by rejecting E.Q. 14168, "Defending Women from Gender Ideology Extremism and Restoring Biological Truth to the Federal Government." Do not force federal government departments to waste time and resources enforcing a confusing and functionally inaccurate change to U.S. citizen's federal information documentation. This is a massive system wide shift that unjustly seeks to discriminate against and erase the documentation of trans and intersex identities, a small part of the population. It is simply way more trouble than it is worth. Is the time, money, and effort of everyone involved really worth a functionally unnecessary change that explicitly seeks to make less than 1% of the American population suffer? As a tax-paying, voting, U.S. Citizen I don't think it is worth it.