

## **In Response**

*For the good of society, transgenderism must be eradicated from public life entirely*  
– *Daily Wire's Michael Knowles, March 2023*

For the second time this week  
someone has called  
for my people's genocide.

My therapist says  
not to catastrophize.

That the they/them pronoun pin  
on my favorite jacket  
(my dad's old denim one) is a victory.

I wish I could ask Knowles  
why he is so afraid.

I only want  
to grow older

like the two steel-haired butches  
I saw at the museum today  
one wheeling the other,  
smiling, hands clasped  
as they laughed,  
discussing the still-blooming  
life of daffodils.