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Much like my figure of Serena, soccer star Megan Rapinoe embodies the next generation of young professional athletes/activists who are bringing attention to the double standards in professional sports.

Megan has taken the battle of parity many steps forward, both through her outspoken activism and also by being part of the team's lawsuit against the American Federation of Soccer for gender discrimination over equal pay, benefits and budgets.

Named *Sports Illustrated's* 2019 Sportsperson of the Year, Rapinoe earned the prestigious international "Golden Boot" and "Golden Ball" awards after her team won the 2019 Women's World Cup. She is as audacious as she is talented, thumbing her nose at POTUS, all the while being an unapologetic "pink-haired flaming gay lesbian." Her very words.