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25 IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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31 To establish the Nonprofit Incubator program to strengthen the capacity of existing nonprofit
32 organizations and to facilitate the development of non-profit organizations in Wards
33 5, 7, and 8 through the provision of shared working space, resources, services, and
34 seed funding.

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36 BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this
37 act may be cited as the "Nonprofit Incubator Program Establishment Act of 2019".

38 Sec. 2. Establishment

39 (a) The Mayor shall establish a non-profit incubator program which shall provide financial
40 assistance in the form of competitive grants to eligible applicants for the establishment and
41 operation of a nonprofit incubator(s) to service Ward 5, Ward 7, Ward 8, and other communities
42 by helping to build the capacity of local nonprofit organizations.

43 (b) An eligible applicant receiving a grant under the program shall use grant
44 amounts—

45 (A) to provide physical workspace and facilities for Ward 5, Ward 7 or Ward 8
46 nonprofit organizations participating in the incubator;

47 (B) to provide seed funding and resources to support new nonprofit organizations
48 and to support new programs at existing nonprofit organizations

49 (B) to establish partnerships with other institutions and entities to provide
50 comprehensive management assistance incubation services to Ward 5, Ward 7 or Ward
51 8 nonprofit organizations participating in the incubator; and

52 (C) to provide skills training and education to Ward 5, Ward 7 or Ward 8 non-profit
53 organizations including financial education, including training and counseling in:

54 (1) applying for and securing grants;

55 (2) preparing and presenting financial statements; and

56 (3) managing cash flow and other financial operations of a nonprofit;

57 (D) management education, including training and counseling in planning,
58 organization, staffing, directing, and controlling each major activity or function of a nonprofit
59 organization; and

60 (E) for any other uses typically associated with nonprofit incubators that the Mayor
61 determines to be appropriate and consistent with the purposes of the program.

62 Sec. 3. Reporting

63 Not later than 1 year after the date on which the agency awards a grant to an eligible
64 applicant under the program, and annually thereafter for the duration of the grant, the agency
65 shall conduct an evaluation of, and prepare a report on, the eligible applicant, which shall

66 describe the performance of the eligible applicant; and be used in determining the ongoing
67 eligibility of the eligible applicant.

68 Sec. 4. Rules.

69 The Mayor, pursuant to Title 1 of the District of Columbia Administrative Procedure
70 Act, approved October 21, 1968 (82 Stat. 1204; D.C. Official Code § 2-501 *et seq.*), shall issue
71 rules to implement the provisions of this act.

72 Sec. 5. Applicability.

73 (a) This act shall apply upon the date of inclusion of its fiscal effect in an approved
74 budget and financial plan.

75 (b) The Chief Financial Officer shall certify the date of the inclusion of the fiscal
76 effect in an approved budget and financial plan, and provide notice to the Budget Director
77 of the Council of the certification.

78 (c)(1) The Budget Director shall cause the notice of the certification to be published
79 in the District of Columbia Register.

80 (2) The date of publication of the notice of the certification shall not affect the
81 applicability of this act.

82 Sec. 6. Fiscal impact statement.

83 The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement in the committee report as the fiscal
84 impact statement required by section 4a of the General Legislative Procedures Act of 1975,
85 approved October 16, 2006 (120 Stat. 2038; D.C. Official Code § 1-301.47a).

86 Sec. 7. Effective date.

87 This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by
88 the Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of congressional
89 review as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved

90 December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1)), and publication in the
91 District of Columbia Register.

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