



Councilmember Jack Evans

A BILL

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To provide a grant in a specified amount to the Capital Pride Alliance for purposes related to the Capital Pride Celebration and related Pride in the Nation's Capital events of 2020, and to order that city services and special event fees due for 2019 be forgiven and that any payments made of the 2019 fees be refunded; and to amend the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development Limited Grant-Making Authority Act of 2012 to provide grant-making authority to issue the grant to Capital Pride Alliance.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the "Capital Pride Alliance Grant and Equitable Forgiveness Amendment Act of 2020".

Sec. 2. Findings.

The Council finds that the Capital Pride Celebration:

- (1) Is one of the largest celebrations in the United States honoring LGBTQ+ communities;
- (2) Showcases a diversity of local, regional, and international talent;
- (3) Brings together hundreds of organizations and businesses;
- (4) Brings over a half million people to the District of Columbia;
- (5) Brings tax revenue to the District government as a result of the many visitors from the region and around the world that come to this celebration;
- (6) Has paid many dollars over many years in fees to the District government for city services and to meet special event requirements; and

28 (7) Has a growing burden paying the ever-increasing fees causing difficulties for
29 this celebration, which will be in its 45th year in 2020.

30 Sec. 3. Notwithstanding the Grant Administration Act of 2013, effective December 24,
31 2013 (D.C. Law 20-61; D.C. Official Code § 1-328.11 *et seq.*), the Mayor, through the Office of
32 the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, shall provide in Fiscal Year 2020 a
33 \$400,000 grant to the Capital Pride Alliance, a nonprofit organization located in the District, to be
34 used for purposes related to the 2020 Pride in the Nation’s Capital events and shall waive all city
35 services fees and special event requirement fees beginning in Fiscal Year 2021 and each year
36 thereafter.

37 Sec. 4. The Council of the District of Columbia orders that the city services fees and
38 special event requirement fees (“fees”) for 2019 be forgiven and that any payments of these fees
39 made refunded to the entity who made the payments.

40 Sec. 5. Section 2032 of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development
41 Limited Grant-Making Authority Act of 2012, effective September 20, 2012 (D.C. Law 19-168;
42 D.C. Official Code § 1-328.04), is amended by adding a new subsection (i) to read as follows:

43 “(i)(1) Notwithstanding the Grant Administration Act of 2013, effective December 24,
44 2013 (D.C. Law 20-61; D.C. Official Code § 1-328.11 *et seq.*), the Deputy Mayor shall make a
45 grant for Fiscal Year 2020 to the Capital Pride Alliance of \$400,000 to be used for expenses
46 related to the 2020 Capital Pride Celebration.

47 Sec. 6. Fiscal impact statement.

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

51 Sec. 7. Effective date.

52 This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the
53 Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of congressional review as
54 provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December
55 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1)), and publication in the District of
56 Columbia Register.