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To require the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to establish a grant program for certain fitness facilities, and for other purposes
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Mr. Quigley introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on
A BILL
To require the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to establish a grant program for certain fitness facilities, and for other purposes.
1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa
2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled
3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
4 This Act may be cited as the "Gym Mitigation and
5 Survival Act of 2021" or the "GYMS Act of 2021".
6 SEC 2 CRANTS FOR FITNESS FACILITIES

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(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

1	(1) Administrator.—The term "Adminis-
2	trator" means the Administrator of the Small Busi-
3	ness Administration.
4	(2) Affiliated Business.—The term "affili-
5	ated business" means a business in which an eligible
6	entity has an equity or right to profit distributions
7	of not less than 50 percent, and in which an eligible
8	entity has the contractual authority to control the
9	direction of the business, provided that such affili-
10	ation shall be determined as of any arrangements or
11	agreements in existence as of March 13, 2020.
12	(3) Eligible enti-
13	ty" means a fitness facility—
14	(A) which provides instruction in a pro-
15	gram of physical exercise or offers space for the
16	preservation, maintenance, encouragement, or
17	development of physical fitness;
18	(B) which does not offer golf, hunting,
19	sailing, or riding facilities;
20	(C) where the health or fitness component
21	of which is not incidental to its overall function
22	and purpose; and
23	(D) which is not part of a State or local
24	government facility.
25	(b) Authority.—

1	(1) Initial Grants.—The Administrator may
2	make initial grants to eligible entities in accordance
3	with this section.
4	(2) Supplemental Grants.—The Adminis-
5	trator may make a supplemental grant in accordance
6	with this section to an eligible entity that receives a
7	grant under paragraph (1) if, as of December 31,
8	2020, the revenues of the eligible entity for the most
9	recent calendar quarter are not more than 33 per-
10	cent of the revenues of the eligible entity for the cor-
11	responding calendar quarter during 2019 due to the
12	COVID-19 pandemic.
13	(3) Priority.—During the initial 14-day pe-
14	riod in which the Administrator awards initial
15	grants under this subsection, the Administrator shall
16	prioritize awarding grants to eligible entities serving
17	marginalized and underrepresented communities,
18	with a focus on women, veteran, and minority-owned
19	and operated eligible entities serving such commu-
20	nities.
21	(c) Amount.—
22	(1) INITIAL GRANTS.—A grant under sub-
23	section (b)(1) shall be in the amount equal to the
24	lesser of—

1	(A) the amount equal to 45 percent of the
2	gross revenue of the eligible entity during 2019;
3	(B) for an eligible entity that began oper-
4	ations after January 1, 2019, the amount equal
5	to the product obtained by multiplying—
6	(i) the average monthly gross revenue
7	for each full month during which the entity
8	was in operation during 2019; by
9	(ii) 6; or
10	(C) \$20,000,000.
11	(2) Supplemental grants.—A grant under
12	subsection (b)(2) shall be in the amount equal to 25
13	percent of the grant received by the eligible entity
14	under subsection (b)(1).
15	(3) Aggregate maximum amount.—The ag-
16	gregate amount of grants made to an eligible entity
17	and any affiliated businesses of the eligible entity
18	under this section shall not exceed \$25,000,000.
19	(d) Use of Funds.—
20	(1) Certification.—An eligible entity apply-
21	ing for a grant under this section shall make a good
22	faith certification—
23	(A) that the uncertainty of current eco-
24	nomic conditions makes necessary the grant re-

1	quest to support the ongoing operations of the
2	eligible entity; and
3	(B) acknowledging that funds will be used
4	to retain workers or for other allowable ex-
5	penses described in paragraph (4).
6	(2) Timing.—
7	(A) Expenses incurred.—
8	(i) In general.—Except as provided
9	in clause (ii), amounts received under a
10	grant under this section may be used for
11	costs incurred during the period beginning
12	on March 1, 2020, and ending on Decem-
13	ber 31, 2021.
14	(ii) Extension for supplemental
15	GRANTS.—If an eligible entity receives a
16	grant under subsection (b)(2), amounts re-
17	ceived under either grant under this sec-
18	tion may be used for costs incurred during
19	the period beginning on March 1, 2020,
20	and ending on June 30, 2022.
21	(B) Expenditure.—
22	(i) In general.—Except as provided
23	in clause (ii), an eligible entity shall return
24	to the Administrator any amounts received
25	under a grant under this section that are

1	not expended on or before the date that is
2	1 year after the date of disbursement of
3	the grant.
4	(ii) Extension for supplemental
5	GRANTS.—If an eligible entity receives a
6	grant under subsection (b)(2), the eligible
7	entity shall return to the Administrator
8	any amounts received under either grant
9	under this section that are not expended
10	on or before the date that is 18 months
11	after the date of disbursement to the eligi-
12	ble entity of the grant under subsection
13	(b)(1).
14	(3) Allowable expenses.—
15	(A) Definitions.—In this paragraph—
16	(i) the terms "covered mortgage obli-
17	gation", "covered rent obligation", "cov-
18	ered utility payment", and "covered worker
19	protection expenditure" have the meanings
20	given those terms in section 7A(a) of the
21	Small Business Act, as redesignated,
22	transferred, and amended by this Act; and
23	(ii) the term "payroll costs" has the
24	meaning given that term in section

1	7(a)(36)(A) of the Small Business Act (15
2	U.S.C. $636(a)(36)(A)$.
3	(B) Expenses.—An eligible entity may
4	use amounts received under a grant under this
5	section for—
6	(i) payroll costs;
7	(ii) payments on any covered rent ob-
8	ligation and common area maintenance
9	charges under a lease agreement;
10	(iii) any covered utility payment;
11	(iv) scheduled payments of interest or
12	principal on any covered mortgage obliga-
13	tion (which shall not include any prepay-
14	ment of principal on a covered mortgage
15	obligation);
16	(v) scheduled interest payments on
17	other scheduled debt as of February 15,
18	2020;
19	(vi) covered worker protection expend-
20	itures;
21	(vii) payments of principal on out-
22	standing loans;
23	(viii) payments made to independent
24	contractors, as reported on Form–1099
25	MISC; and

1	(ix) other ordinary and necessary
2	business expenses, including—
3	(I) settling existing debts owed to
4	vendors;
5	(II) maintenance expenses;
6	(III) administrative costs;
7	(IV) taxes;
8	(V) operating leases;
9	(VI) advertising, fitness equip-
10	ment, subscription, and software ex-
11	penses that are within the scope of
12	the normal business practice of the el-
13	igible entity;
14	(VII) payments required for in-
15	surance on any insurance policy;
16	(VIII) capital expenditures or ex-
17	penses required under any State,
18	local, or Federal law or guideline re-
19	lated to social distancing; and
20	(IX) any other expenses that the
21	Administrator determines to be essen-
22	tial to maintaining the eligible entity.
23	(4) Prohibited expenses.—An eligible entity
24	may not use amounts received under a grant under
25	this section—

1	(A) to purchase real estate;
2	(B) for payments of interest or principal
3	on loans originated after February 15, 2020;
4	(C) to invest or re-lend funds;
5	(D) for contributions or expenditures to, or
6	on behalf of, any political party, party com-
7	mittee, or candidate for elective office; or
8	(E) for any other use as may be prohibited
9	by the Administrator.
10	(e) Authorization of Appropriations.—There is
11	authorized to be appropriated \$30,000,000,000 to carry
12	out this section.