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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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A BILL

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. ELIGIBILITY FOR CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE AND DESTINATION MARKETING ORGANIZATIONS FOR LOANS UNDER THE PAYCHECK PROTECTION PROGRAM.

Section 7(a)(36)(D) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 636(a)(36)(D)) is amended—
(1) in clause (v), by inserting “or whether an entity described in clause (vii) employs not more than 300 employees,” after “clause (i)(I),”; and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

“(vii) Eligibility for Certain Chambers of Commerce and Destination Marketing Organizations.—

“(I) In general.—During the covered period—

“(aa) any chamber of commerce that is described in section 501(c)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code and that is exempt from taxation under section 501(a) of such Code shall be eligible to receive a covered loan if the chamber of commerce employs not more than 300 employees; and

“(bb) any destination marketing organization shall be eligible to receive a covered loan if the destination marketing organization employs not more than 300 employees and—
“(AA) is described in section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code and is exempt from taxation under section 501(a) of such Code; or

“(BB) is a quasi-governmental entity or is a political subdivision of a State or local government, including any instrumentality of those entities.

“(II) Rule of Construction.—Nothing in this clause shall be construed to provide eligibility for trade associations for covered loans.”.