Affirming the reclassification of Jovellar Underground River from Class I to Class II

WHEREAS, Section 12 of DENR Administrative Order 2003-29 "Implementing Rules and Regulations of the National Cave and Cave Resources Management and Protection Act" specifies the appropriate use of caves shall be based on the manual of cave classification to be prepared by the DENR

WHEREAS, DENR Memorandum Circular No. 2007-04 "Procedures in Cave Classification" prescribes the manual on cave classification

WHEREAS, a cave may be classified into Classes I, II, and III based on the result of the cave assessment

WHEREAS, a List of Classified Caves is published annually per Section 4 of DMC 2007-04

WHEREAS, Quitinday cave, located at Brgy. Quitinday, Jovellar, was classified as Class I per DMC 2016-05 "Additional List of Classified Caves"

WHEREAS, Quitinday cave was renamed as Jovellar Underground River through Sangguniang Bayan Resolution No. 2017-102

WHEREAS, Re-assessment of the said cave was conducted last 9 May 2017 upon request of the LGU of Jovellar wherein the results indicated that the cave may be reclassified to Class II

WHEREAS, the Regional Cave Committee of Region V reviewed the results of the reassessment and affirmed the reclassification through RCC Resolution No. 2017-01

WHEREAS, the results of the re-assessment was presented to the National Cave Committee (NCC) for review last 6 December 2017 and 20 February 2018

WHEREAS, the NCC has affirmed the re-classification of the said cave from Class I to Class II

WHEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, the reclassification of Jovellar Underground River (Quitinday Cave) to Class II is hereby affirmed.

AFFIRMED this day of 2018, at Quezon City, Philippines.

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> Note: Still to be signed by other NCC members