



November 07, 2023

Dir. FELIX MIRASOL JR., Regional Executive Director DENR-MIMAROPA

Dear Sir,

Makakalikasang pagbati mula sa Pamahalaang Panglungsod ng Puerto Princesa Princesa!

In recent years, our City and our people have celebrated the **Puerto Princesa Underground River** (**PPUR**) **Festival** every November in accordance with Presidential Proclamation No. 816 "Declaring November 11 of Every Year as Puerto Princesa Underground River Day", commemorating this UNESCO World Heritage Site having been declared as one of the **New Seven Wonders of Nature** on 11 November 2011—a recognition that "brought great honor and acclaim not only to the City of Puerto Princesa and the Province of Palawan but to the entire Philippines as well."

It all started with the dream of having a unique festival that would celebrate the unique biodiversity and vibrant tourism industry of Puerto Princesa. This dream turned into reality: **SUBARAW FESTIVAL.** Subaraw comes from two root words: *suba* which means river and *taraw* which means limestone cliff.

This year's *Subaraw Festival* will run from November 3 to 19, celebrating the City's very rich biodiversity and promoting Puerto Princesa's already outstanding image as "The Gateway to the Best Island in the World".

In this connection, we would like to invite you as one of our *guest speakers* to the SUBARAW FESTIVAL GRAND PARADE AND CLOSING PROGRAM scheduled on November 11, 2023, 1:00 - 08:00 pm from City Bay walk to SM Puerto Princesa, Car Park.

Attached here is the program for the said activity. For inquiries and more details, you may reach us through Ms. Yen Villarin, PPUR Secretariat at mobile no. 0916 954 4083 or email address undergroundriver_ppsrnp@yahoo.com.ph.

We are eagerly looking forward to your positive response. Thank you very much in advance.

Mabuhay po kayo!

Very_truly yours,

R. B'AYRON LUCI City Mayor Puerto Princesa City

