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ACT NO. 22 of 2016

WILDLIFE CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT ACT 2016

I assent.

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David Granger,
President.

5th October, 2016

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AN ACT to provide for the protection, conservation, management, sustainable use,
internal and external trade of Guyana's wildlife.

A.D. 2016 Enacted by the Parliament of Guyana:-

PART I

PRELIMINARY

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| Short title and commencement. | 1. This Act may be cited as the Wildlife Conservation and Management Act 2016 and shall come into operation on a date appointed by order of the Minister. |
| Interpretation. | 2. (1) In this Act – |
| First, Second and Third Schedules | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) “animal” means any specimen, whether living or dead, of any species of wild fauna specified in the First, Second and Third Schedules, any other wildlife and includes any egg, sperm, tissue culture or embryo of any such animal; and includes any vertebrate and invertebrate or any part and derivative of them, but does not include any domestic animal; (b) “animal reproductive material” means – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) an egg, sperm, or embryo of an animal; or (ii) any other part, or product of an animal from which another animal can be produced; (c) “animal specimen” means – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) any animal; (ii) any animal reproductive material; (iii) any tissue including the flesh, skin, bone, blood, lymph, scales, feather, horns or shell of any animal; and (iv) any readily recognisable part or derivative of a species specified in the First, Second and Third Schedules or any other wildlife; (d) “approved institution” means an institution declared by the Commission under section 62 |
| First, Second and Third Schedules | |

- to be an approved institution in relation to a particular wildlife species or group of species;
- (e) “approved person” means a person declared by the Commission under section 62 to be an approved person in relation to a particular wildlife species or group of species;
 - (f) “artificially propagated” refers to live plants grown from seeds, cuttings, divisions, callus tissues or other plant tissues, spores or other propagules in a controlled environment for the purposes of trade;
 - (g) “Artificial Propagation Certificate” means a certificate issued in accordance with section 21;
 - (h) “Artificial Propagation Operation Licence” means a licence issued in accordance with section 20;
 - (i) “authorised person” means any institution, person or body authorised by the Commission to enforce this Act;
 - (j) “bred in captivity” means bred in a controlled environment of an offspring of any animal reproductive material, whether sexual or asexual for the purposes of trade;
 - (k) “breeding stock” means the animals in the captive breeding operation that are used for reproduction;
 - (l) “Captive Bred Certificate” means a certificate issued in accordance with section 17;
 - (m) “Captive Breeding Operation Licence” means a licence issued in accordance with section 16;
 - (n) “Certificate of Introduction from the Sea” means a certificate issued in accordance with section 29;
 - (o) “Commercial Export Licence” means a licence issued in accordance with section 49;
 - (p) “Commercial Import Licence” means a licence issued in accordance with section 49;
 - (q) “Commission” means the Guyana Wildlife Conservation and Management Commission established by section 4;

- (r) “controlled environment” means –
- (i) in relation to an animal or animal reproductive material, an environment which –
 - (A) is manipulated by human intervention for the purpose of producing a selected species or quality of animals or animal reproductive material;
 - (B) has boundaries designed to prevent animals, eggs or gametes of the species from entering or leaving the controlled environment;
 - (C) includes facilities such as artificial housing, waste removal, health care, protection from predators and artificial food supply;
 - (D) is managed in a manner to maintain the breeding stock indefinitely, save and except in the case of ranching;
 - (ii) in relation to plants, an environment which –
 - (A) is manipulated by human intervention for the purposes of producing selected species or hybrids of plants or plant reproductive material;
 - (B) includes tillage, fertilization, weed control, drainage, irrigation or nursery operations, including potting, bedding or protection from weather; or
 - (C) is managed in a manner designed to maintain the breeding stock indefinitely;
- (s) “Convention” or “CITES” means the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora which came into force on the 25th day of August 1977 and any amendments to it as are adopted, from time to time, by the State of Guyana;
- (t) “cultivated” means a plant grown by horticultural methods in a human controlled environment for its produce;

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