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Mario D’Orazio to retire from Executive duties and step down from Channel 7 Perth

Seven West Media (ASX: SWM) today announced that Channel Seven Perth Managing director Mario D’Orazio has resigned.

SWM Chairman Kerry Stokes AC said Mario had played an important role in the company’s success in WA.

Mr Stokes said: *“Mario is a talented, hard-working executive who has been an important member of the team of Channel 7 Perth ensuring its performance over many years.*

“As part of his role at Channel 7, I appreciate the enormous contribution he has made as a trustee of Telethon.

Mr D’Orazio said: *“It’s with immense pride that I reflect on my time with Australia’s best media company.*

“Seven is full of wonderful people, who all work very hard to build deep connections in the community. Channel 7 has a long history of supporting the people of WA, and I am particularly proud of my time at Telethon, which has gone from strength to strength. We broke the \$300m barrier this year, and that’s fantastic. I’m looking forward to beating last year’s record total in 2019.

SWM CEO Tim Worner said: *I have worked with Mario for most of my time at Seven and knew him since our Cadet days in Perth. Appreciate his contribution over the time at Seven Perth. We’re going to miss him.”*

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SWM WA CEO Maryna Fewster said: *“I want to thank Mario for his contribution to the team since I started in my role here. We wish him the very best.”*

Mario D’Orazio started his media career with WA Newspapers in 1979, joining the Daily News as a cadet reporter. He joined Channel 7 Perth in 1987 as a reporter on a local current affairs program State Affair – a show which discovered a lot of fresh young talent for Seven, including current SWM CEO Tim Worner.

In the 1990s, Mr D’Orazio moved behind the camera as the founding producer of Today Tonight WA and saw the program become, and remain, a fixture on WA’s TV screens.

He was made Managing Director of Seven Perth in July 2011.

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