Exhibit 7: Declaration of John V. Ferris Document 438-8

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I, John V. Ferris, declare under penalty of perjury, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, that the following is true and correct:

- 1. I submit this declaration in support of (I) final approval of the class action settlement in the above-captioned action (the "Action"), and (II) Lead Counsel's motion for attorneys' fees, litigation expenses, and compensatory awards to Plaintiffs, including a compensatory award to me in the amount of \$ 30,000 (thirty thousand dollars) for time spent directly related to my representation of the Class.
- 2. On December 4, 2018, I, along with my wife, JoAnn M. Ferris, was appointed lead plaintiff (the "Lead Plaintiffs") in this Action. On March 1, 2023, the Court appointed me, along with my wife and Jeffrey Larsen, as class representatives (the "Class Representatives") in this Action. At all times, I have diligently pursued the effective prosecution of this Action and actively monitored its progress.
- 3. I retained the Pomerantz Firm to represent myself and the Class, and throughout the Action, I have remained in regular contact with Lead Counsel, who have provided me with periodic updates regarding all aspects of the case. Among other things, I reviewed complaints filed in the action, significant court rulings in the case, and actively cooperated in discovery by searching for and producing documents responsive to Defendants' Wynn Resorts, Ltd. and Matthew O. Maddox's First Requests for Production to Plaintiffs John V. Ferris, JoAnn Ferris, and Jeffrey Larsen, responding to Defendants' First and Second Sets of Interrogatories, and providing deposition testimony.
- 4. I provided testimony in my deposition on September 9, 2022. My deposition lasted nearly 5 hours. In connection that that deposition, I spent many hours reviewing documents, preparing for the deposition with Lead Counsel, and attending the deposition. I also accompanied my wife to her deposition. In addition, I reviewed my deposition testimony for accuracy.
  - 5. In addition, I submitted a declaration in support of the motion for class certification.

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- Further, I had several calls with Lead Counsel about the range of possible monetary 6. outcomes for the Action and the risks of proceeding to trial, and granted Lead Counsel settlement authority to settle the Action in the range that they did.
- I have spent approximately 200 hours prosecuting this case. I estimate that my 7. hourly compensation for my time is \$200 per hour.
- In light of the foregoing, I respectfully request that the Court approve an award to 8. me in the amount of \$30,000 (thirty thousand dollars) to compensate me for the time I expended, and the risks I took on, as a Lead Plaintiff and Class Representative in this Action.
- I am very satisfied with the representation I received in this Action. I support Lead 9. Counsel's application for attorneys' fees and believe that the request fee is reasonable in light of the expertise of my counsel, the amount of work they performed on my behalf and on behalf of the Class towards the successful resolution of this Action, the large out-of-pocket expenses they incurred, and the fact that Plaintiffs' Counsel took on considerable risk over a six-year period, with no guarantee of any recovery.
- I also support reimbursement of attorneys' expenses as requested by Lead Counsel, 10. as I believe these expenses have been reasonably incurred while prosecuting this Action on behalf of the Class.
- In sum, I respectfully request that the Court approve the Settlement, award me 11. \$30,000 (thirty thousand dollars), approve Lead Counsel's requested attorneys' fees, and award Lead Counsel full reimbursement of expenses.

Executed this 3 day of December, 2024

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on December 23, 2024, a copy of the foregoing was filed electronically and served by mail on anyone unable to accept electronic filing. Notice of this filing will be sent by e-mail to all parties by operation of the Court's electronic filing system or by mail to anyone unable to accept electronic filing as indicated on the Notice of Electronic Filing. Parties may access this filing through the Court's CM/ECF System.

/s/ Murielle J. Steven Walsh

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DECLARATION OF JOHN V. FERRIS