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DATE: 7/7/2021 SUBJECT: Duluth Fire responds to second water rescue in a week BY: Kate Van Daele, Public Information Officer

NATURE OF INCIDENT: Water Emergency CASE NO.: 21-007276 INCIDENT DATE: 7/7/2021 INCIDENT TIME: 7:02p.m. INCIDENT LOCATION: Park Point Beach House

Duluth Fire responds to second water rescue in a week

[Duluth, MN] Shortly after 7:00 p.m. tonight, the Duluth Fire Department responded to the report of a water emergency on Park Point Beach near the Beach House. The initial dispatch reported a person was pulled underwater by a rip current near the Beach House. When crews arrived, a 20-year-old woman from St. Paul was found on the shoreline. Bystanders had grabbed a life ring, and was able to assist the woman back to the beach.

First responders from the Duluth Fire Department, Duluth Police Department, and St. Louis County Rescue Squad assisted the woman to a Mayo Ambulance that took her to a local hospital.

Bystanders reported to Duluth Police that the woman had entered the water when her sister had gone in and was struggling. The woman was able to help her sister back to shore and was reported to have been pulled back out by a rip current.

The Duluth Fire Department issued a dangerous swimming conditions warning this morning which was a continuation from yesterday. This warning is in effect until tomorrow, July 8 at 10:00 a.m.

The Duluth Fire Department would again like to remind the public that rip currents can happen at any time, and should be taken seriously. Red flags fly in multiple locations along Park Point along with a message board that shares beach conditions when warnings are issued. Please keep yourself and others safe by not entering the water when these warning are issued regardless of your swimming experience.

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