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DATE: 10/28/2016

SUBJECT: Structure Fire at 520 Leicester Ave.

BY: Assistant Chief Chris Martinson

NATURE OF INCIDENT: Structure Fire

CASE NO.: 16-11217

INCIDENT DATE: 10/28/2016

INCIDENT TIME: 04:03

INCIDENT LOCATION: 520 Leicester Ave.

The Duluth Fire Department responded to a report of a structure fire at 520 Leicester Avenue at 04:03 this morning, the first fire rig on the scene from the #11 fire station reported a very large volume of fire visible upon arrival. They quickly deployed hose lines and started to attack the fire, as other fire rigs came on scene firefighters started an interior attack on the fire and searched for hidden fires and hot spots. The homeowner stated she heard some noises and saw that something was on fire right outside the home, she evacuated safely to the outside. Two birds that were inside the home were found by the firefighters and were attended to with oxygen but died from the effects of the fire. The main body of the fire was soon darkened down but the fire extended to many areas of the first floor and attached garage area with heavy fire and smoke damage throughout the home. A live power line that came down from the fire was monitored until Mn. Power was able to secure it. 21 Firefighters were on the scene battling this fire with no injuries reported. The Fire Marshals office is in the process of investigating the fire and the cause is undetermined at this time. Initial damage estimates are \$150,000 dollars. Any further information will be released by the Duluth Fire Marshals office.