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DATE: 5/3/2022

SUBJECT: Structure Fire

BY: Assistant Chief Dennis Edwards

NATURE OF INCIDENT: Apartment Fire

CASE NO.: 22-00005017 INCIDENT DATE: 5/3/2022 INCIDENT TIME: 22:14

INCIDENT LOCATION: 600 W 2nd St

At 10:14 p.m. on Monday May 2nd, the Duluth Fire Department responded to the report of a structure fire on the 600 block of West 2nd Street. A resident of a 12 unit, 3 story apartment building woke to the sounds of smoke detectors on the floor below where she was sleeping. The resident called 911 and evacuated. Fire crews from Headquarters were on scene in less than 2 minutes and the first arriving unit called for a second alarm. DPD officers assisted in evacuating the other 11 units of the building. The resident of the fire apartment was transported by Mayo Ambulance to a local hospital for possible smoke inhalation. One apartment was heavily damaged by the fire and others suffered smoke damage. Preliminary damage estimates are \$200,000 to the building and \$50,000 to contents.

2 pet cats were located in the fire affected apartment but both perished. All residents of the building were displaced by the fire. Two firefighters suffered minor injuries. The Duluth Fire Marshal's Office is still investigating the cause of the fire.

The DFD would like to thank the Duluth Police Department, Comfort Systems and Minnesota Power for their assistance on scene. Fire crews from Headquarters, Lincoln Park, Spirit Valley, UMD, and Duluth Heights stations responded to the fire.