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**DATE: 7/10/2022**

**SUBJECT: Structure Fire**

**BY: Assistant Chief D. Edwards**

**NATURE OF INCIDENT: Structure Fire**

**CASE NO.: 7832**

**INCIDENT DATE: 7/9/2022**

**INCIDENT TIME: 2352**

**INCIDENT LOCATION: 1000 block of 85th Ave W**

At 2352 last night, the Duluth Fire Department responded for a report of a structure fire in the 1000 block of 85th Ave W in the Morgan Park neighborhood. Duluth Police Department officers arrived on scene first and reported fire and heavy smoke coming from the second floor of the two story duplex. DPD officers evacuated residents from the first floor apartment and confirmed residents of the second floor apartment had evacuated. 10 Engine from the Gary Station arrived next and found heavy flames now showing from three windows on the second floor. The 10 Engine crew advanced a handline to the rear of the building and into the second story to attack the fire. Meantime, 8 Quint arrived from Spirit Valley and advanced a handline into the second story through the front window after knocking down flame in that area. They then performed a search and found no occupants in the second story. As more crews arrived, one dog was rescued from the first story apartment. Crews were on scene for approximately 2.5 hours and the fire is being investigated by the Fire Marshal's office.

A total of seven adults and four children have been displaced by the fire and are being assisted by the Red Cross. Initial damage estimates are \$80,000 to the structure and \$20,000 to the contents. No one was injured in the fire, including no firefighters. Firefighters responded from Gary, Spirit Valley, Lincoln Park and Headquarters stations. The DFD was assisted on scene by the DPD, Mayo Ambulance and the Red Cross.