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DATE: 7/19/2022 SUBJECT: High Risk of Dangerous Rip Currents BY: Assistant Chief Dan Lattner

NATURE OF INCIDENT: Rip Current Warning CASE NO.: INCIDENT DATE: 7/19/2022 INCIDENT TIME: Immediately INCIDENT LOCATION: Duluth Beaches

[Duluth, MN] Due to the high risk of rip currents today, the Duluth Fire Department is issuing a warning for dangerous swimming conditions for Park Point beaches effective immediately and continuing until 10:00 a.m. tomorrow. This warning means that wind and wave conditions can support rip currents.

Rip currents are life-threatening to anyone entering the water. Stay out of the water regardless of your swimming experience. Be advised that even calm waters after storm activity can support rip currents, so wait for warnings to expire before entering the water. Red flags are flying along the beach to indicate dangerous swimming conditions.

The Fire Department strongly advises the public to stay out of the water. Flag locations are located at the South Pier (South of Lift Bridge), 12th Street Beach, Lafayette Park, and two locations at the Park Point Beach House. The public will be notified if swimming conditions improve before this warning expires.

More information on conditions and rip currents can be found by visiting the Park Point Beach website at <u>www.parkpointbeach.org</u>.