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DATE: 4/26/2023 SUBJECT: Structure Fire BY: Assistant Fire Chief Dennis Edwards

NATURE OF INCIDENT: Structure Fire CASE NO.: 4466 INCIDENT DATE: 4/25/2023 INCIDENT TIME: 10:53 P.M. INCIDENT LOCATION: 6300 block of Pizarro Street

At 10:53 P.M. on April 25th, the Duluth Fire Department was dispatched to a report of a two-stall detached garage on fire on the 6300 block of Pizarro Street in Duluth. 8 Quint was the first fire unit to arrive on scene and reported that the structure was fully involved. As the 8 Quint crew began fire attack live power lines began to fall adjacent to the burning structure, this forced the fire crew to take positions to fight the fire from a safe distance. As more crews arrived a hydrant was utilized to provide firefighting water to attack the fire and protect exposure buildings. Meanwhile, DPD officers had gathered information that there were propane and acetylene cylinders in the structure.

Minnesota Power responded quickly to the scene to shut down power and make it safe for firefighters to advance into the structure. The fire was declared out by 1112 P.M. Firefighters remained on scene for about two hours. The fire is being investigated by the Duluth Fire Marshal's office.

There were no injuries and no damage to exposures. Firefighters responded from the Spirit Valley, Gary, Lincoln Park and Headquarters stations. The DFD was assisted by the Duluth Police Department and Minnesota Power. The structure is a total loss and damage to the structure and contents is estimated to be \$50,000.