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DATE: 6/5/2021

SUBJECT: Three UMD students uninjured after bedroom catches on fire

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NATURE OF INCIDENT: Structure Fire

CASE NO.: 21-5087

INCIDENT DATE: 6/4/2021

INCIDENT TIME: 11:37 p.m.

INCIDENT LOCATION: 200 block of West Kent Road

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[Duluth, MN] At 11:37 p.m. on June 4 a fire was reported on the second story on the 200 block of West Kent Road near the University of Minnesota Duluth campus. The fire was reported by a neighbor that heard smoke detectors going off, and alerted an occupant who was in the basement of the single-family dwelling that was on fire. That occupant was able to safely evacuate the home without injury. The UMD station fire crew was on the scene in under three minutes and quickly attacked the fire, first from the exterior and then advancing to the second-floor hallway and bedroom. Crews from Headquarters, Lakeside, and Woodland arrived and assisted 4 Quint with search, overhaul and ventilation.

There is heavy fire damage to one bedroom and smoke damage throughout the house. The estimated damage is \$50,000. Three students from UMD are displaced as a result of the fire. The students will be temporarily living with friends while repairs can be made.

No one in the home or firefighters were injured. The Duluth Police Department assisted at the scene. The cause of the fire is under investigation by the Duluth Fire Marshal's office.

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