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RESIDENTIAL FIRE

787 N. Ericson Road

MEMPHIS, TN - The Memphis **Fire** Department responded to a house fire at 787 N. Ericson Road, Thursday, June 10, 2021 at 2:50 a.m. Upon arrival on the scene, firefighters reported smoke visible from the one-story wood frame residential structure. Rescue and Firefighter operations began immediately.

Twelve (12) pieces of **Fire/Rescue/EMS** equipment and approximately twenty-eight (28) emergency response personnel ultimately responded to the call. Battalion Chief L. Harmon was the commanding officer of this incident. The fire was brought under control at 3:09 a.m. There were no firefighter or civilian injuries. Red Cross assistance was not requested.

It has been determined that the residence **did have** a working smoke alarm which alert the occupants and they escaped safely, prior to the arrival of fire crews. The structure sustained smoke, fire and water damage. Total damage is estimated at \$40,000.00 structure and \$20,000.00 contents. The origin and cause of the fire was determined to be electrical; a lamp malfunctioned on the nightstand in the bedroom.

The Memphis **Fire** Department urges all citizens to maintain a working smoke alarm in their place of residence. Check smoke alarms once a month and change the battery when you change your clocks. City of Memphis residents may apply for a **free smoke alarm** on-line at: <https://www.memphistn.gov/government/fire-department/free-smoke-alarm-application/> or call the Fire Museum of Memphis at (901) 636-5650. Always have a plan of escape in case there is a fire. Also remember that 9-1-1 is for emergencies only. For all other **FIRE/EMS NON-EMERGENCY** issues please dial (901) 458-8281.

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