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## COMMERCIAL FIRE

**6149 Macon Road (*Beijing Chinese Restaurant*)**

MEMPHIS, TN - The Memphis **Fire** Department responded to an alarm of fire at 6149 Macon Road, Wednesday, October 13, 2021 at 8:45 p.m. Upon arrival on the scene, firefighters reported heavy smoke visible from the one-story commercial restaurant. Rescue and Firefighting operations began immediately.

Thirteen (13) pieces of **Fire/Rescue/EMS** equipment and approximately forty (40) 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 8:59 p.m. There were no firefighter or civilian injuries.

It has been determined that the commercial building **did not have** a sprinkler system. The structure sustained smoke, fire and water damage. Total damage is estimated at \$110,000.00 structure and \$75,000.00 contents. The origin and cause of the fire was determined to be food left unattended on the stove in the kitchen.

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** by contacting the Fire Museum of Memphis at (901) 636-5650 or apply on-line: <https://www.memphistn.gov/government/fire-department/free-smoke-alarm-application/> 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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