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MEDIA RELEASE

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[Kennewick, WA] On Thursday, April 14 2022, at 3:40 a.m., fire crews from the Kennewick Fire Department and Richland Fire & Emergency Services were dispatched to a residential fire. The location for this incident was 5604 W. Metaline Ave.

The first KFD crew arrived on scene within 6 minutes of being dispatched. Upon arrival, the crew observed a single-family home that was well involved in fire. The home appeared to be abandoned. Initial firefighting efforts were focused on placing water on the fire from the exterior of the home in an effort to extinguish the fire. Firefighting crews additionally made access points into the attic in order to apply water into that space. However, the attic of the home was divided up in a manner that presented some initial challenges with accessing fire in that area.

Once the fire was primarily extinguished inside of the home, a search was conducted to confirm there were no occupants inside.

It took approximately 24 minutes to bring the fire under control. The damage to the home was substantial, and it will not be able to be occupied. At the time of this press release, the fire department has still been unable to make contact with the owner of this property.

The cause of the fire is currently under investigation.

The Kennewick Fire Department would like to thank the neighbor who called 911 and alerted us about the fire. Early notification of a fire plays a critical role in both life safety and preventing a fire from potentially spreading to other homes.

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