NEWS RELEASE

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SUBJECT: Structure Fire at 112 S Byers

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The Joplin Fire Department responded to a reported smell of smoke at 112 S Byers on Wednesday, 01 March, at 10:23 PM. The first crew arrived at 10:26 PM and did smell smoke but was unable to locate the source. They could hear a smoke detector going off, which led them to a 4-plex apartment. Crews entered an apartment via a rear door which was open. Crews found a small fire visible on the first floor kitchen area. The fire was quickly extinguished and an exhaust fan was used to remove smoke from the apartment. Crews remained on scene 1:20 AM.

The apartment was unoccupied at the time of the fire.

There were no injuries to civilians or firefighting crews.

The fire department responded with 6 apparatus and 18 personnel and was assisted by the Joplin Police Department and METS Ambulance Service.

The fire was found to be incendiary in nature and remains under investigation.

For more information, contact the Joplin Fire Department at 623-0403 or 624-0820 ext. 1300.

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