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*******MEDIA RELEASE*******

On July 26, 2016 at 5:50 am the Racine County Communications Center received a call of the smell of smoke and fire alarms going off from 940 Browns Lake Dr (Franciscan Missions) in the Village of Rochester.

Deputies and fire personnel arrived and observed heavy smoke. The six current residents had already evacuated. An active fire was confirmed. Fire personnel from various agencies were called to assist with fire fighting. No injuries to any residents or fire fighters at this time. This is still an active fire scene.

The cause and origin of the fire is not known at this time.

Sheriff Christopher Schmaling
Sheriff, Racine County

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'DKlatt', is written over a horizontal line.

By: Lt. Dan Klatt

UPDATE

The fire was determined to have started in the lower level of the building and the cause of the fire appears to be electrical from a ceiling fan. Damage is estimated at \$75,000, mostly smoke and water damage.

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