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NEWS RELEASE

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City of St. Charles, Illinois – At 4:58 this afternoon, the St. Charles Fire Department responded to 4N097 Thorn Tree Road, in unincorporated St. Charles Township, for a reported house fire. While entering the subdivision, firefighters found that they could not directly access the home as a large tree had fallen across Thorn Tree Road and a live power line was entangled in the limbs. Firefighters arrived at 5:04 and found a one-story structure with a working fire in the kitchen. As there were no fire hydrants in the subdivision, firefighters established a water supply utilizing water tankers. The fire was brought under control in approximately 30 minutes but firefighters remained on the scene 9:03 conducting the investigation. None of the occupants were at home at the time of the fire and there were no injuries. The home is not habitable and loss is estimated at \$30,000 to the structure and \$15,000 to the contents. The cause of the fire is currently under investigation but is not considered suspicious. Assistance was received from the Geneva, Batavia, and Elburn Fire Departments. End.