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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### **The City of Plainfield: Fire at 825 North Ave. Update**

Early Sunday morning, July 17, 2022, at about 1:20 a.m. The Plainfield Fire Department was dispatched to a structure fire at 825 North Avenue with people trapped. Upon arrival, it was reported that heavy smoke and fire were coming from multiple areas of this two-and-a-half-story multi-dwelling. Fire and police personnel immediately rescued multiple occupants by ladder from the second and third floors to safety. Simultaneously, fire crews entered the dwelling to confine, extinguish the fire, and search for trapped occupants.

Unfortunately, during the search for trapped occupants, a deceased female child (age to be determined) was discovered. An adolescent child (age to be determined) was transported to Hackensack Meridian Health JFK Medical Center in Edison N.J. for reported smoke inhalation. No other civilian injuries were reported.

Red Cross responded to assist 21 occupants with shelter and provisions.

The Medical Examiner responded to the scene, and Union County investigators are currently investigating the cause and origin of the fire. No determination has been declared.

EMS responded for medical evaluations, and no injuries to fire or police personnel were reported.