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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **Arson Investigation Concludes**

**Kerrville, Texas (November 2, 2016)** – The investigation into a fire that occurred in the 300 Block of Blanks St. on Sunday, October 2, 2016, injuring one juvenile, has officially concluded.

On October 2<sup>nd</sup> at approximately 3:45 p.m., the Kerrville Fire Department (KFD) and the Kerrville Police Department (KPD) responded to a structure fire in the 300 block of Blanks St. On scene, first responders found a juvenile who was severely burned and was subsequently air lifted to University Medical Center located in San Antonio.

Two juveniles have been arrested in conjunction with this incident. One is charged with first degree arson and since the time of initial arrest, a separate charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon has been forwarded for prosecution on that juvenile. A second juvenile is charged with second degree arson for assisting in starting the fire.

The identity of these juveniles is not being released as both individuals are under the age of 18.

The Kerrville Fire Marshal's Office has concluded its investigation and has forwarded its findings to the Kerr County Attorney for consideration.

As part of its investigation, The Kerrville Fire Department has closely monitored media reports of the incident, as well as postings and comments circulated via social media, and has found a number of inaccurate, misleading and conclusory statements. As such, the City of Kerrville Fire Department and the Kerr County Attorney's Office wish to remind the public that this matter remains pending and involves juveniles who are afforded privacy under the law.

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