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### **CITY OF BEACON FIRE DEPARTMENT AND SUPPORTING AGENCIES RESPOND TO STRUCTURE FIRE ON ROMBOUT AVENUE**

**Beacon, NY**— The Beacon Fire Department (BFD) was dispatched at approximately 2:45 p.m. yesterday, March 17, 2026, for a structure fire with possible occupants still in the structure. Upon arrival to the scene, a 2 ½ story wood-framed, single-family residential structure was observed with heavy fire on the front porch. A 2<sup>nd</sup> Alarm was immediately transmitted for all available off-duty personnel, as well as for aid from Slater Chemical Fire Company and Rombout Fire Company.

Two occupants of the structure were led to safety via bystanders prior to the BFD arrival. The occupants who were reported to be injured were evaluated and transported to St. Lukes Hospital by Beacon Volunteer Ambulance Corps (BVAC) and Ambulnz (CBM1). One 1 3/4" firehose was stretched from City of Beacon Engine 3316 to suppress the main body of fire while a secondary water supply was established from a fire hydrant at the corner of Rombout and Teller Avenue.

Thanks to rapid response and aggressive tactics, the fire was contained to the porch area. A primary and secondary search of the structure for additional occupants were conducted, both with negative results. Search and firefighting operations were hampered by hoarding conditions throughout the structure. Natural gas and electric utilities were isolated while the structure was ventilated with negative pressure fans.

Occupants were unable to be interviewed to help determine the cause of the fire due to their injuries; however, discarded cigarette remnants were found in and around the suspected origin on the side of the front porch. The structure has been condemned by the City of Beacon Building Department due to hoarding conditions, and the Hudson Valley Red Cross is assisting the displaced family. BFD was assisted on scene by Castle Point Fire Department, Village of Fishkill Fire Department, City of Beacon Police Department, City of Beacon Building Department, Dutchess County Department of Emergency Response, BVAC, and Ambulnz. Rombout Fire Department and Slater Chemical were put on standby.

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