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Residential Structure Fire on Davis Street Deemed Accidental

Salisbury_North Carolina_April 11 – The Salisbury Fire Department responded to a residential structure fire at 1207 Davis Street, at 12:56 a.m. that resulted in the fatality of a two year old male.

Salisbury Police Officers initially arrived on the scene and observed smoke and flames involved inside the single story, two bedroom home. It was determined that five individuals had vacated the residence while one child remained inside. A coordinated effort, by law enforcement personnel, led by Salisbury Police Lieutenant Greg Beam, resulted in the removal of the two year old male from a rear bedroom filled with smoke. Emergency responders attempted life saving measures, however, their efforts were unsuccessful.

Salisbury Fire Marshall, Terry Smith has identified the cause of the fire as accidental, with the fire originating at a bedroom window where a window fan was being used to cool the room.

Additional assistance was provided on the scene by the Salisbury Police Department, the Rowan County Sheriff's Office, Rowan County Rescue Squad, Rowan County EMS and Granite Quarry Fire and Police Departments.

No additional details are available at the present time. Media inquiries may be directed to City of Salisbury Public Information and Communications Manager, Elaney Hasselmann at (704) 638-4460 or (704) 762-1008.

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