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FIRE IN VACANT BUILDING DAMAGES THREE OTHER BUILDINGS ON ROSE STREET IN PATERSON

PATERSON, NEW JERSEY:

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Passaic County Prosecutor Camelia M. Valdes and Chief Michael Postorino of the Paterson Fire Department, announce that at approximately 2:30 p.m. on this date, April 14, 2017, a fire that originated in a vacant Paterson two and one-half story residential structure, located at 23 Rose Street, spread to three other buildings on that block, but caused no serious injuries to residents or firefighters. One Paterson firefighter sustained a non-life threatening injury while fighting the fire. The investigation reveals that none of the residents of the three nearby multi-family residential buildings were injured.

The three nearby affected structures are located at 21 Rose Street, 25 Rose Street and 27 Rose Street. With the exception of the structure located at 27 Rose Street, all of the buildings involved in the fire are being demolished due to severe fire damage.

At this time, the cause of the fire is undetermined. This investigation is ongoing.

The Passaic County Prosecutor's Office asks anyone with additional information about this incident to contact us on our tips line at 1-877-370-PCPO or tips@passaiccountynj.org.

For media inquiries concerning this case, contact Chief Assistant Prosecutor Paul DeGroot of the Passaic County Prosecutor's Office Major Crimes Bureau at (973) 837-7671 or at PDegroot@passaiccountynj.org.