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UPDATE

SUFFOLK, VA (January 4, 2017) Following investigation by the Fire Marshal's Office, Bryan Alan Cadwell, age 52, of the 100 block of North Main Street, was arrested on charges of Attempted Arson of Occupied Dwelling and Arson of an Occupied Dwelling related to the commercial structure fire that occurred at the Suffolk Towers Apartments during the early morning hours of January 1, 2017.

Cadwell is currently being held without bond at Western Tidewater Regional Jail.

The investigation remains ongoing and no further information is available at this time.

SUFFOLK FIRE & RESCUE RESPOND TO COMMERCIAL STRUCTURE FIRE

SUFFOLK, VA (January 1, 2017) Suffolk Fire & Rescue personnel responded to a commercial structure fire at Suffolk Towers Apartments in the 100 block of North Main Street this morning. Emergency Dispatchers were notified of the incident at 4 a.m.

Battalion Chief David Harrell reported the first unit arrived on scene at 4:06 a.m. with the fire alarms for the building activated and the smell of smoke and burning wood observed in the lobby. The fire was contained to a first floor storage area, however, smoke from the fire spread throughout the building. The fire was marked under control at 4:30 a.m. The building was evacuated during the incident with all occupants allowed to return to the

facility after the fire was extinguished and the facility was ventilated. No injuries were sustained and no one was displaced as a result of the incident.

Battalion 1, Battalion 2, Engines 1, 2, 6, 10, Rescue 1, Ladders 3, 6, Medics 1, 3, 10, EMS 1, Fire Marshal 6, and Suffolk Police responded to the incident.

The cause of the fire is under investigation by the Fire Marshal's Office.

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