

## Kodiak Fire Department PRESS RELEASE 1/8/17

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On Sunday morning, January 8, 2017 at approximately 1:25 am the Kodiak Fire Department was dispatched to a 9-1-1 call from the occupant of 1521 Baranof St. reporting that his house was on fire and all occupants were out of the structure. Four units were initially dispatched to the fire.

Upon arrival crews reported heavy fire and requested Mutual Aid from both Bayside and Coast Guard Fire Departments for an additional 2 units. Due to the intensity of the fire and partial collapse of the structure crews initiated a defensive attack on the fire. Crews fought the fire until approximately 5:09 am when the fire was declared out. Units remained on scene conducting overhaul efforts unit 6:12 am when all Fire Department units cleared the scene. The residence was considered a total loss.

Investigation to determine the fire's cause is underway. There were no injuries as a result of the fire, however; the family pet succumbed to smoke inhalation.

The Kodiak Fire Department wants to remind the public to check your smoke alarms and ensure they work and replace the batteries twice a year. Also if you are using a wood stove to clean your stack regularly.

