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PRESS RELEASE

At 3:17 p.m. on Tuesday, June 10, the Claremont Fire Department was dispatched to the area of 86 Myrtle Street for a report of a smoke detector activation and smoke visible from a doorway. Car 1, Engine 3, and Ladder 2 responded to the scene.

C-1 arrived on scene and confirmed a working structure fire and requested Box 100, bringing in the first alarm assignment. Fire crews deployed 1³/₄-inch handlines from onscene apparatus and initially conducted an exterior fire attack before transitioning inside to continue suppression efforts. Crews advanced to both the first and second floors, where heavy fire was found throughout. Fire crews worked to extinguish the fire and conducted primary searches for any potential occupants.

The fire was declared under control at 4:06 p.m.

During the incident, a mayday was declared for a firefighter who became disoriented in the basement. Thanks to the quick and coordinated efforts of on-scene personnel, the firefighter was promptly located, and the mayday was successfully terminated. No injuries were reported at time of this press release.

Claremont Fire officials are working closely with the Claremont Police Department and the New Hampshire State Fire Marshal's Office to determine the origin and cause of the fire. Further information will be provided as the investigation progresses.

The Claremont Fire Department extends our thanks to all mutual aid partners who provided assistance, including Golden Cross Ambulance, Claremont Police Department, Newport Fire Department, and Windsor (VT) Fire Department, who were active on scene. Additional thanks go to the Unity and Ascutney (VT) Fire Departments for providing station coverage during the incident.

Any information is asked to be given to Lt. Bill Hardy or Chief James Chamberlain with the Claremont Fire Department. 603-542-5156

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