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KENT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE



Date: June 5, 2017
Complaint Number: 17-226451
Type of Incident: Fatal house fire
Reporting Officer: Deputy Ryan Thome
Supervisor Approval: Sergeant Bryan Muir

*****UPDATE*****

On Friday, June 2, 2017 at approximately 4:30 PM the Kent County Sheriff's Office responded to a 9-1-1 call reporting a house fire in the 6400 block of Fricke Court NE. Initial information provided to emergency responders was someone may be trapped inside the residence.

Upon emergency responders arriving on scene, they located the residence fully engulfed in flames and confirmed, 65 year old Beverly Kay Combs was trapped inside the home.

Emergency responders were unable to rescue Combs and she was later located deceased inside the home by fire personnel.

Investigators with the Sheriff's Office along with the assistance of the Michigan State Police Fire Investigation Unit and the Kent County Medical Examiner's Office Unit have completed a thorough investigation into the incident and no criminal charges are being sought.