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MCINTOSH COUNTY FIRE CLAIMS TWO VICTIMS

ATLANTA – Insurance and Safety Fire Commissioner John F. King announced today that a residential fire in Townsend caused two deaths on December 30th, 2022.

The fire began at approximately 1:13 a.m. in a 1,392-square-foot residential structure on Georgia Highway 99. Investigators from the State Fire Marshal’s Office responded to the scene later that morning at the request of the McIntosh County Fire Department. The structure did not contain smoke alarms.

“Upon extinguishment, the bodies of a 91-year-old female and a 59-year-old male were discovered in the home,” said Commissioner King. “The cause of the fire remains undetermined, but no foul play is expected at this time.”

Our office assisted the McIntosh County Fire Department and Sheriff’s Office with this case.



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