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Structure Fire, Death Investigation (Update)

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The Glendale Heights Police Department recognizes the actions of three police officers at the scene of a structure fire that occurred on August 24.

On Monday, August 24 at approximately 10:02 AM, the Glendale Heights Police Department was summoned to the 100 block of Dunteman Drive in the Waters Edge Condominiums complex. Upon arrival, officers witnessed an explosion, followed by a fire in a second floor unit in a condominium building. Officers immediately made notification to Bloomingdale Fire Department.

Officers had been made aware that three people were inside the second floor unit where the explosion occurred, and entered the building to rescue the individuals inside. Officers Bradley Lautner, Grzegorz Kapusciak, and Robin Lambert entered the building and gained entry to the second floor unit where the explosion and fire occurred. Officers located a 6-year old child in the second floor unit and carried the child outside to safety. Officers re-entered the building and attempted to again access the second floor unit, but were unable to enter the unit due to the heat and smoke from the fire. Officers then assisted with the evacuation of the remainder of the residents in the building.

Bloomingdale Fire Department responded along with several surrounding fire departments and extinguished the fire.

The child received treatment at an area hospital for minor injuries and was released the same day. The three involved officers received treatment at an area hospital for minor injuries and were released the same day.

Two subjects are reported as deceased. They have been identified as Shafath H Khan, 46 years of age, and Salman Khan, 4 years of age.

The investigation into the cause of death of the two subjects and the cause of the fire is ongoing. The investigation is being conducted by Glendale Heights Police Department investigators, Bloomingdale Fire Department investigators, DuPage County Fire Investigation Task Force, DuPage County Coroner's Office, and DuPage County State's Attorney's Office.

Additional details will be shared when available.