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Harahan Man Dies in Fire

Harahan LA, State Fire Marshal H. "Butch" Browning released today, information in reference to a death of a Harahan man who died in his home as a result of a fire.

The Harahan Fire Department responded at 01:18 am this morning to a report that a residence located at 260 West Avenue was on fire. Firefighters arrived minutes later to discover that the master bedroom was on fire. They quickly entered the burning building and discovered the body of Phillip Raymond II (DOB. 5-22-76). Mr. Raymond was rescued and administered emergency medical care. He was transported to Oschner Medical Center where he was pronounced dead as a result of this injuries.

The Louisiana State Fire Marshal's Office was called to investigate this fire along with the Jefferson Parish Fire Investigators. It was determined that the fire started in the master bedroom, near the foot of the bed located in this room. Investigators have not yet determined the exact cause of this tragic fire but have found no indication at this time of intentional causes. There were no working smoke alarms in the home.

Fire Marshal Browning reminds everyone to act today to ensure that you have a working smoke alarm in your home. He states, "This is a sad day a man has lost his life in a fire, make sure your smoke alarm is working. Don't be a victim".

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