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## Fontaine Press Release

The Fontaine Condominium Board of Directors is devastated by the recent acts by an arsonist within our community. Fontaine is a strong nit community and when one of us is affected by a tragedy we all feel the pain. Although these cases have set us back as a community, we will not rest until the person or persons involved is apprehended.

Nothing is more important than the safety of those of us that live on the property and we as a Board are implementing systems so that owners and residents can better protect themselves and their property. We have a great working relationship with the DeKalb County Police Department and we employ two of their best officers to provide off-duty support to our community several days per week. During the last 2 years of their service they have been able to eradicate the majority of the drug activity, gun violence, and trespassers that have plagued our community for years and we are extremely pleased with their efforts. They are aware of the fires and will patrol the property as much as possible.

As with the DeKalb County Police Department, we have a great relationship with the DeKalb County Fire Marshall, Chief Cox, and we are coordinating a Community Meeting where he will educate the community on fire safety. Chief Cox attended a Community Meeting late last year and gave a great presentation on that subject. It is unclear whether any of the residents affected by the recent fires were in attendance at that meeting but nonetheless they took it upon themselves to fight the fires until the fire department arrived. We would never encourage anyone to put themselves in harms way but those residents that kept the flames at bay are true heros and kept the fires from causing major destruction.

We as a community are asking anyone with information relating to these fires to contact the Dekalb County Police or the DeKalb County Fire Marshall.

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