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URGENT: 6:45 P.M. Update – ADDRESS CORRECTION

WOODLAKE RESIDENCE SEVERELY DAMAGED IN TUESDAY FIRE **Kenner, Parish Firefighters Respond, One Treated for Heat Exhaustion**

Firefighters from Kenner and Jefferson Parish battled a stubborn fire Tuesday afternoon in a three-story residence in Kenner's Woodlake Estates subdivision. Kenner Fire Chief John Hellmers said that with the exception of one firefighter who was treated for heat exhaustion, no one was injured by the fire. No one was believed in the building when the fire started.

The alarm was sent in at 2:23 p.m. Tuesday and firefighters arrived at the scene at 2:30 p.m. The fire was declared under control at 3:05 p.m.

Hellmers said 20 firefighters from Kenner and four from East Bank Consolidated Fire Department battled the blaze. He said the cold weather in the area did not hamper efforts to fight the fire.

Five pumpers, one rescue unit two district fire chiefs and one assistant chief, all from Kenner, and one pumper from East Bank Consolidated responded to the scene. Hellmers said three investigators from East Bank Consolidated were looking through the damaged building Tuesday night in an effort to determine the cause of the blaze and where it started.

He estimated the large residence at #6 Mesa Street suffered damage to 65 percent of the structure.

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Fire rages from the roof of residence Tuesday afternoon at #6 Mesa Street in Kenner in this view taken from the levee at the rear of the property.