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## **MISSION DISTRICT FIRES**

As we approach the end of 2015, the City of San Francisco has experienced a relatively normal amount of property damage fires throughout each district. One district that has seen a rise in property damage fires is the Mission District. In 2015, the Mission District experienced 20 reported fires resulting in property damage, up from 10 in 2012, 18 in 2013, and 15 in 2014 for a total of 68 fires in four years. District 10 experienced the largest amount of property damage fires, 153 during the same 4-year period. A total of 853 property damage fires, 52 of which were classified as arson, occurred from 2012 to 2015 citywide.

The majority of these fires, including those in the Mission District, were ruled accidental, electrical, or unidentified. Around 6% of property damage fires Citywide were determined to be intentional. The national average for intentionally set fires is around 9-10%. The rise in fires within this district can be contributed to a number of issues such as, but not limited to cooking fires, heating fires, and electrical fires, (http://www.nfpa.org/research/reports-and-statistics/fire-causes).

In an effort to help reduce the amount of fires in the Mission District, the San Francisco Fire Department's Community Affairs and Media Relations Officer will be working with suppression personnel to provide community outreach in fire prevention and education throughout San Francisco, including the Mission District.

DISTRICT	FIRES	# ARSON	
1 – Eric Mar	56	3	
2 – Mark Farrell	54	1	
3 – Aaron Peskin	68	4	
4 – Katy Tang	47	2	
5 – London Breed	72	0	
6 – Jane Kim	141	12 (8.5%)	
7 – Norman Yee	61	3	
8 – Scott Wiener	75	6	
9 – David Campos	68	1 (1.47%) Mission	District
10 – Malia Cohen	153	12 (7.8%)	
11 – John Avalos	<u>58</u>	<u>5</u>	
TOTAL (2012-2015)	853	52 (6.09%)	
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