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## STATEMENT REGARDING FLYING CLOUD AIRPORT CRASH

Eden Prairie, Minn. — At approximately 11:38 a.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 12, 2009, Eden Prairie Police received a report of an airplane crash near Flying Cloud Airport in Eden Prairie.

The Eden Prairie Police and Fire Departments, as well as the Hennepin County Sheriff's Department reported to the scene. The crash took place on the lawn of the Historic Cummins Grill House property (13600 Pioneer Trail), which is owned by the City of Eden Prairie.

The plane crashed shortly after take-off from Flying Cloud Airport and was on-fire when emergency personnel arrived.

At this time, there are two confirmed fatalities. There were no injuries reported on the ground and no significant damage to the Cummins Grill House.

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) will conduct a complete investigation.

Pioneer Trail in Eden Prairie, between Flying Cloud Drive and Staring Lake Parkway, will be closed until approximately 6 p.m. this evening.

Because the investigation is ongoing, no further details are available at this time.

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