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Statement on Christiana Campbell's Tavern Fire

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Early this morning Christiana Campbell's Tavern in the Historic Area sustained minor damage to the outside of the building due to a fire. The cause of the fire is under investigation, and Colonial Williamsburg's public safety team is working with Williamsburg police and fire officials in the investigation.

The Foundation is deeply grateful to the Williamsburg Fire and Police departments for their quick and professional response. Our highest priority is the safety of residents and staff, and their response protected Historic Area residents while also significantly reducing the amount of damage to the building.

Enhanced safety and security procedures implemented throughout the Foundation in conjunction with the City protected the community and limited the fire's impact. Media are asked to direct inquiries to Williamsburg Fire Department Deputy Chief Larry W. Snyder, Jr. at 757-220-6223 or lsnyder@williamsburgva.gov.

The Colonial Williamsburg Foundation preserves, restores and operates Virginia's 18th-century capital of Williamsburg. Innovative and interactive experiences highlight the relevance of the American Revolution to contemporary life and the importance of an informed, active citizenry. The Colonial Williamsburg experience includes more than 600 restored or reconstructed original buildings, renowned museums of decorative arts and folk art, extensive educational outreach programs for students and teachers, lodging, including the Forbes 5-star Williamsburg Inn, culinary options from historic taverns to casual or elegant dining, the Golden Horseshoe Golf Club featuring 45 holes designed by Robert Trent Jones and his son Rees Jones, a full-service spa and fitness center, pools, retail stores and gardens. Philanthropic support and revenue from admissions, products and hospitality operations sustain Colonial Williamsburg's educational programs and preservation initiatives.