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REWARDS OFFERED FOR INFORMATION
REGARDING PARMA HEIGHTS CITY HALL FIRE

You May Have Information Valuable to Law Enforcement

The Division of State Fire Marshal's Fire and Explosion Investigation Bureau Chief Josh Hobbs announced today that a reward of up to \$5,000 is being offered by the Blue Ribbon Arson Committee for information leading to the identification of the person or persons responsible for a fire that occurred at Parma Heights City Hall on Wednesday, November 26, 2014.

In addition, the Cuyahoga County Crime Stoppers and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF) are each offering a reward of up to \$2,000 for information regarding the person or persons responsible, bringing the total possible reward to \$9,000.

The fire was discovered by a police officer around 3:00 a.m. Parma Heights Fire Department responded to the scene. The investigation is being conducted in conjunction with the Parma Heights Police Department and the Parma Heights Fire Department.

Investigators want to hear from anyone who saw something out of the ordinary at or around the time of the fire or who may have heard someone speaking about the fire with an unusual level of interest or knowledge.

"Information from the public is crucial to solving these kinds of cases," said Chief Hobbs. "One tip could be the missing piece of the puzzle for our investigators."

Anyone with information is asked to call the State Fire Marshal's Fire & Explosion Investigation Bureau at **1-800-589-2728** or the Cuyahoga County Crime Stoppers at **(216) 252-7463**.

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