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\*\*\*NEWS RELEASE\*\*\*
May 18, 2022

VPD Report Number: 22-041098 Date/Time Occurred: May 17, 2022, at 3:24 p.m.

**Type of Incident:** Unlawfully Causing a Fire **Location:** Woodland / Houston

## Name of Business (if applicable):

N/A

| Suspect:         | <u> Age:</u> | Arrested: |
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| 1. Male Juvenile | 16           | Yes       |
| 2. Male Juvenile | 16           | Yes       |

**Details:** On Tuesday, May 17, 2022, at 3:24 p.m., the Visalia Fire Department and Visalia Police Department were dispatched to a grass fire in the area of Woodland and Houston. Upon arrival, they found a grass area that was on fire. Witnesses in the area advised that the fire was caused by a group of students lighting illegal fireworks. Youth Service Officers investigated the incident and identified two male juveniles who were responsible for the fire. The juveniles were arrested and booked for unlawfully causing a fire and possession of illegal fireworks.

**Arresting / Investigating Officer:** Patrol / Youth Service Officers **Supervisor:** Sergeant Whaley

