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MAYS LANDING – Egg Harbor City police charged a man with aggravated arson and terroristic threats for an incident early Thursday morning that caused fire and smoke damage to a residence and two adjacent businesses on Philadelphia Avenue, Atlantic County Prosecutor Ted Housel announced.

Egg Harbor City police responded for a 911 call at 12:03 a.m. of a fire at 147 Philadelphia Avenue. There were no reported injuries. Upon arrival the structure was fully engulfed in flames. It took a number of hours and the work of several fire departments to extinguish the blaze.

Further investigation led to the arrest by local police Donald J. Lentz, 24, at his residence at 705 Weymouth Road in Buena Vista Township.

The Prosecutor's Office Arson Unit is assisting in the investigation to determine the cause of the fire.

**\*\*\*These charges are merely an accusation and not proof of guilt. In all criminal cases, a charged defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.**

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