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GRITTY MCDUFF'S PORTLAND PUB UNSCATHED BY SMALL FIRE

PORTLAND – A small fire Tuesday morning in the building housing Gritty McDuff's Portland brew pub on Fore Street was quickly extinguished by the Portland Fire Department, and did not cause any damage to the pub itself. After the fire was extinguished, the pub reopened for business as usual.

"The phone has been ringing off the hook. People want to know if we're still open," said Publican Richard Pfeffer. "No way – it takes more than a little fire to slow us down!"

The small fire, contained on a fourth floor exterior balcony overlooking Wharf Street, was quickly extinguished with no significant damage to the building. The pub's normal business hours – 11 a.m. until 1 a.m. daily – are unaffected.

"The Portland Fire Department was amazing. They responded very quickly and had the hoses out of the truck, in the building, and were spraying water on the fire in what seemed like seconds," noted Pfeffer.

"We're very grateful to have such responsive and highly skilled firemen in Portland. These guys do an awesome job every day, and we appreciate what they did for us yesterday."

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