

Fire safety in rental homes is of the utmost importance. It should be mandated that anyone who owns a rental property should ensure all smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors are always working and in proper condition. We never know when something random may happen out of the blue, but if we are properly alerted, it will save lives. I was fortunate to know the Wiener family for most of my life. Growing up I spent every summer with Lindsay and Jillian. Although I did not get to see them much during the year because I am from Buffalo, NY, when we got together it was like no time had ever passed. Both of them always radiated positive energy and always made every person in the room feel welcome. We all wish they could be here and experience growing up and thriving into adulthood. Their lives were wrongfully taken from us in August of 2022. They should be here today, and we should be experiencing growing up together. This tragic event has made us all realize the dangers of poorly inspected rentals and other homes in general. If there were working smoke alarms or a designed fire safety escape route, maybe Jills and Linds would be able to be here with us today. Everytime I travel, I always make sure my AirBnB is up to code with current fire safety regulations. I am much more careful to notice where the fire extinguisher is and to not leave open flames near the home itself (grill, fire, etc). It is something we often let go over our heads because we think it won't happen to us. Until it does. This tragedy has deeply affected the Wiener family. Alisa and Zach never deserved this kind of heartbreak. We owe it to them to bring justice and protect this from happening to other people around the country. Thank you for your time and consideration, I really hope this is something that gets passed.