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At that time, Mendoza admitted to breaking into a Gardenvale Drive home in July 2017, when the homeowner told police two TVs were stolen. Blood was detected in the aftermath and submitted to a state database, according to the Erie County District Attorney's Office.

Months later, in Feb. 2018, Mendoza was required to submit a DNA sample following a misdemeanor conviction, and the match was made.

Mendoza was also sentenced to 1 1/2 years of post-release supervision.

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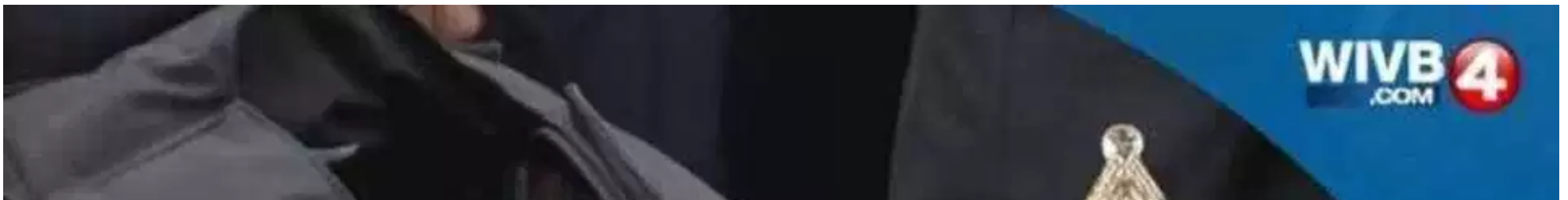
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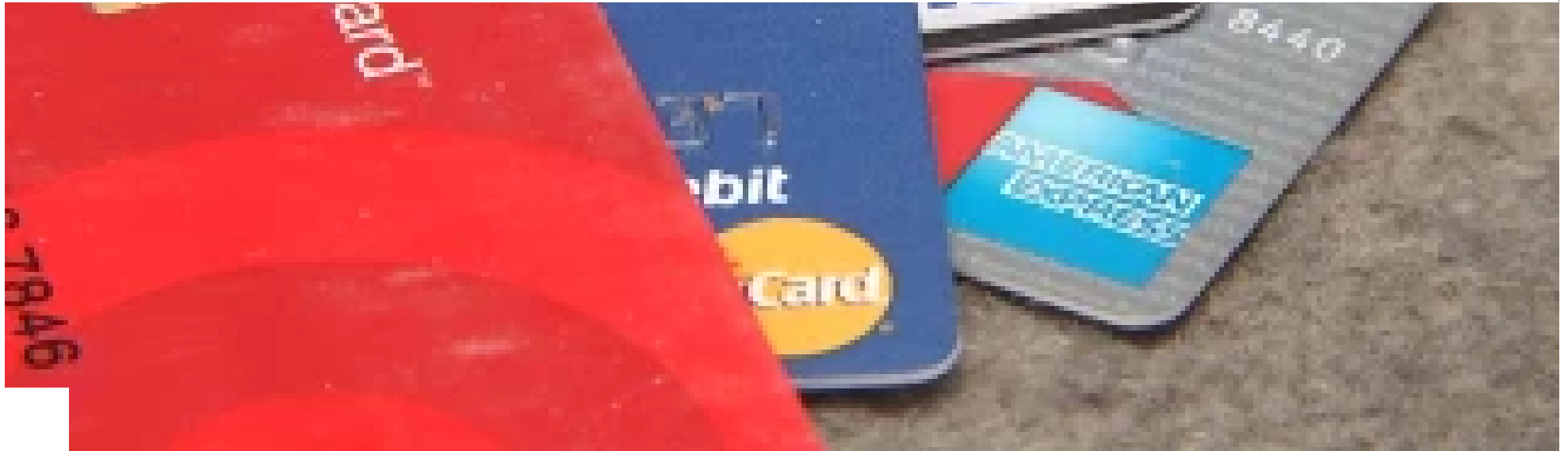


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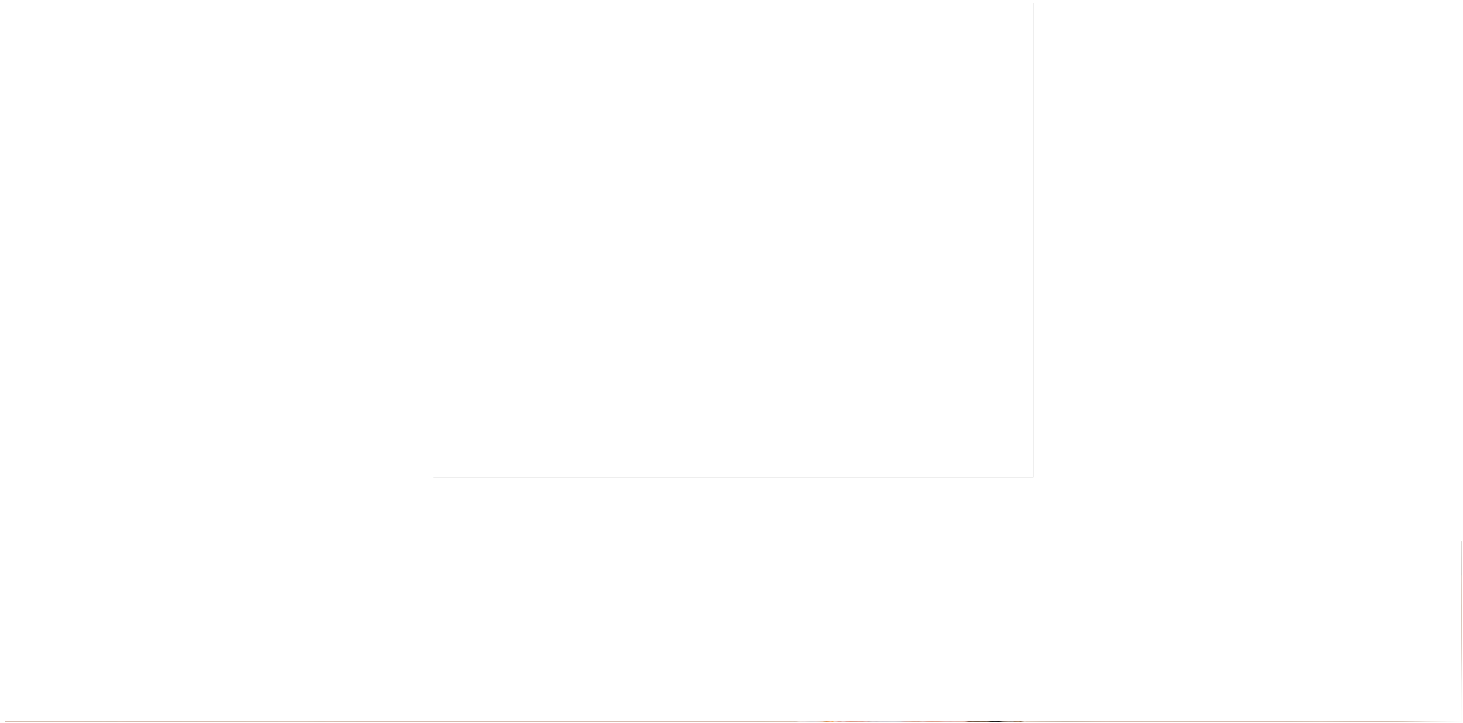
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