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Armed Robbery Investigation

Gurnee – On October 24, 2022, at 12:30 PM, Gurnee Police received a call of an armed robbery at Portillo's restaurant. Within three minutes, our Officer assigned to the mall and responding officers were on scene. The victim alleged that a black male driver pulled into the drive-thru lane, displayed a handgun, and took his cash before departing the area. No one was injured during the interaction.

Officers immediately identified the suspect vehicle as a stolen white Ford cargo van out of Round Lake Beach. A person of interest has been identified as Eric Gatlin, 43 years old, out of Grayslake. Gatlin has active warrants out of Lake County, IL. He is described as 5'11, 230 lbs., and is considered armed and dangerous.

This case remains under investigation by Gurnee Police.