

Crime Stoppers
OF HALTON

**Brazen thief
grabs a boat
and a trailer**

The theft of a boat, trailer and motor from a Campbellville-area home has investigators seeking help to identify the person responsible.

During the Thursday night of May 15, a brazen thief took a boat, its motor, and the trailer they sat on from a driveway on Jessie Avenue.

The trailer was a 1995 Reme, gray with blue stripes.

It carried a 1995 Princecraft, also gray and blue, that was equipped with a 90 horsepower Evinrude motor and Shimano fishing equipment.

The estimated value for the complete package was placed at \$25,000.

Do you know someone who started bragging about a new boat that he should not be able to afford? Maybe it's the one.

If you have any information that leads to an arrest in this or any other case, you may be eligible for a cash reward of up to \$1,000.

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Crime Stoppers of Halton is operated by a board of directors made up of 18 civilians from all areas of Halton Region. The reward fund results from the financial support of business, industry, services clubs and private citizens.

The board of directors raises the money, decides on the amount of rewards, and actually pays the rewards. Crime Stoppers is incorporated as a charitable organization, therefore all donations to the reward fund are tax deductible.

False alarms to cost public, businesses

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dollars. Chief Campbell said the program is not a cash grab because ultimately it is hoped the number of false alarms will diminish. The goal, he said, is to free up police time.

There are about 12,000 monitored alarms in Halton. According to police the number is rising

by about 200 per month.

Milton Mayor Gord Krantz wanted to know if the program was rigid or allowed for some "discretion and common sense.

"We apply all the laws with discretion," said Chief Campbell. "This is not an attempt to generate revenue. Council asks us to offset costs, this

does that."

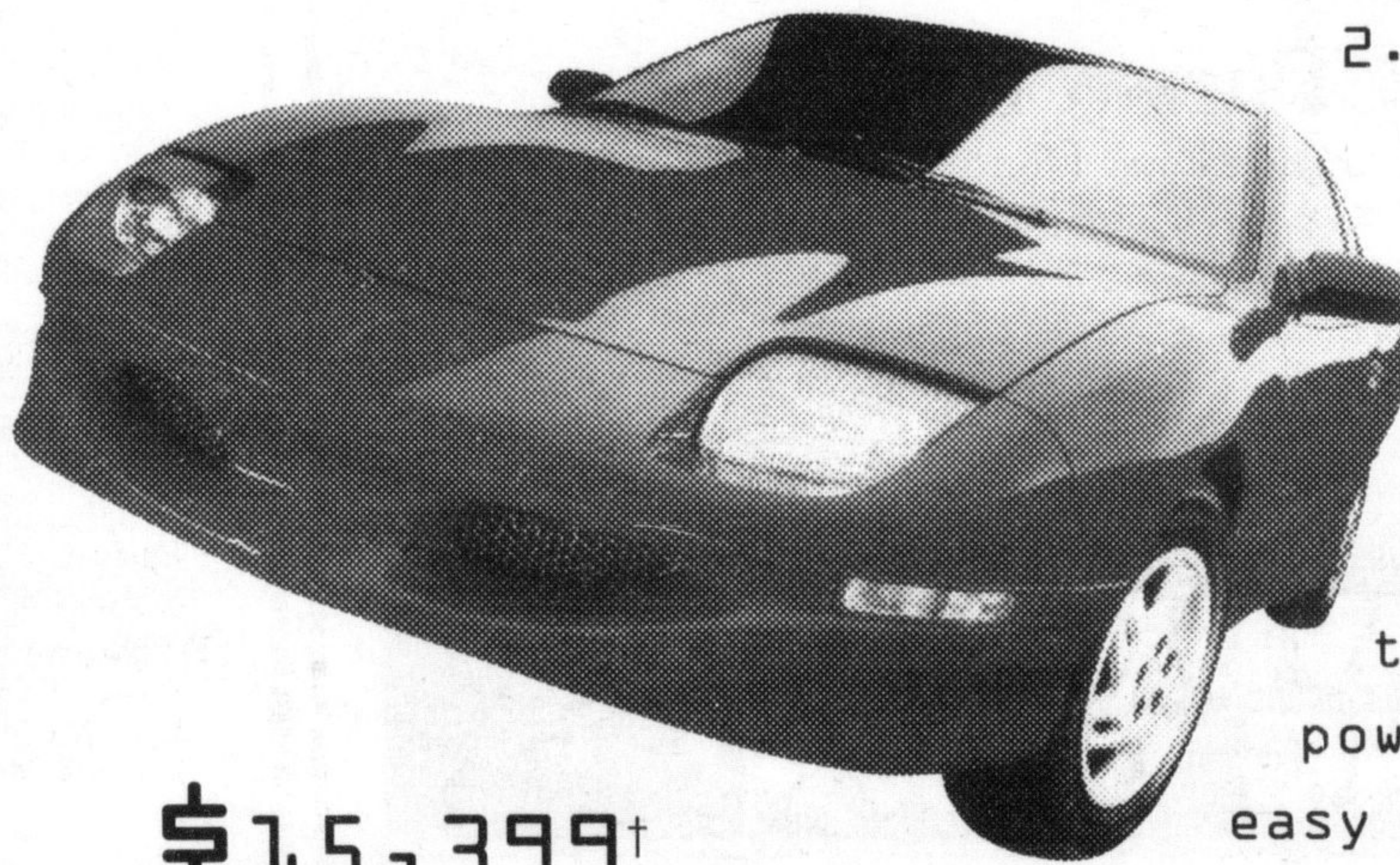
Joe Rinaldo, Halton's commissioner of finance, defended the false alarm charge as a user fee covering extra costs to the system which represent an extra service to specific individuals. It is expected the alarm monitoring companies will charge back the false alarm fees to their customers.

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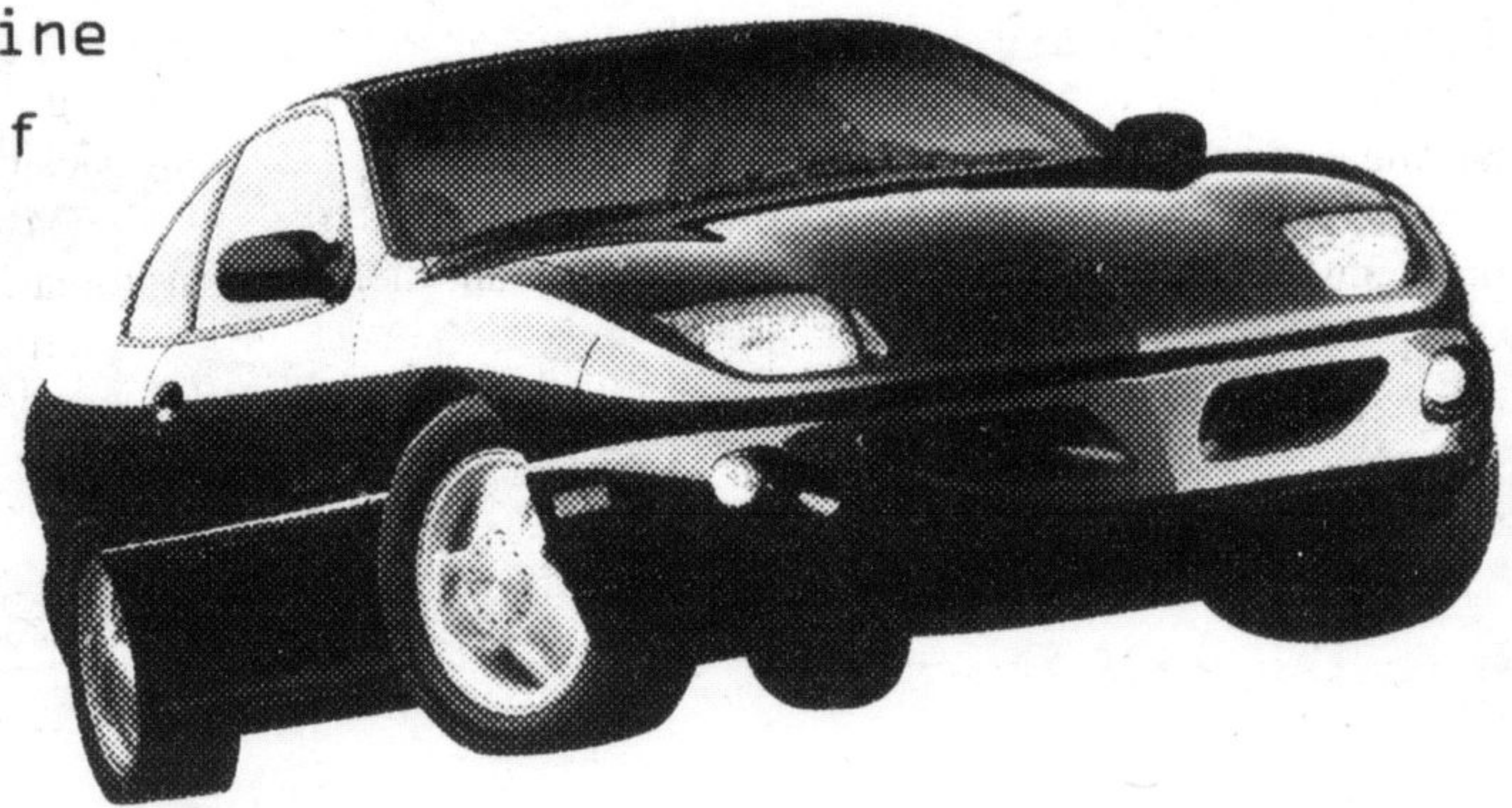


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