## **Big 12 Conference Women's Basketball Championship**

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## West Virginia Mountaineers Coach Mark Kellogg JJ Quinerly Sydney Shaw

Postgame Press Conference

TCU 71, West Virginia 65

THE MODERATOR: We are joined by West Virginia Head Coach Mark Kellogg, student-athletes Sydney Shaw and JJ Quinerly. Coach?

MARK KELLOGG: Yeah, congrats to TCU. Well played, well earned, quality basketball team. They're playing really well with a ton of confidence. I thought we were ready to go, I thought we were prepared. I liked our kids' mind-sets. We didn't play particularly well in the second quarter, and that would be the disappointing part, that we just let them stretch it, where we were playing from behind the whole second half, the third and fourth quarter.

But really proud of our response in the third quarter to give us a chance, just couldn't get it under five. Really proud of the group. And we will get back home and await the NCAA Tournament and see if we can't go make some noise when we find out that assignment.

## Q. What can you learn from the win yesterday and the loss today?

JJ QUINERLY: I would say regardless of the game and how they went, I mean, as long as you stay in the game, stay together and continue to fight; it will come out whoever wins, wins.

SYDNEY SHAW: Piggy-backing off of that, just putting forty minutes together and staying together is going to get us through everything, so focusing on that.

Q. I know I seen some amazing performances from Jordon and you as well. How can y'all go forward and build off this going into the next tournament in March?



MARK KELLOGG: You draw off those experiences. We have had plenty throughout the year, obviously coming here. These feel like NCAA Tournament-type games, that feels like a Sweet 16, Elite Eight-type game, and hopefully we are fortunate to advance and we get to the NCAA Tournament, get to the next level. But we draw off of this. I thought our reaction to the big games and against quality competition the last two nights was fantastic. Our team stayed together. Maybe let's not get down 14, 15, where we have to battle back, but outside of that, proud of the group, and we will draw from it. We will be okay.

THE MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

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