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Q. How tough is this one, obviously you see the winning streak in, but to have such a performance that didn't have any big plays really anywhere --

AKIEM HICKS: Give me that last part of the question, please.

Q. You miss me on that one?

AKIEM HICKS: Yeah.

Q. How tough is this one coming in on a three-game winning streak and have it go on a day where there weren't any big plays made in the first phase?

AKIEM HICKS: I disagree. I think there were some big plays made and clutch situation where is guys came up and performed. It just happened to not be enough in this scenario for us to get that done.

But I feel like there was hard play on both sides, you know what I mean, of the ball, offensively and defensively. Shoot, special teams, as well. I feel like we want more, but unfortunately the card didn't fall in our way today.

Q. What opportunity do you have on Thursday on national TV with Tom Brady to make a statement about what your defense is?

AKIEM HICKS: To sack Tom Brady, first of all. After that we want to play good football. That's what one of our goals every week is to put stuff on tape that we can be proud of, and I think today, you know, we played some good defense. We held them to four field goals, right, but unfortunately it wasn't enough for our team to overcome it. I think that there's some plays on defense that we definitely want back, but I believe in our guys. I believe we have the capability to have a good season.

Unfortunately like I said earlier, some of the circumstances

today, we couldn't overcome.

Q. You've done a pretty good job this year in situations where you've needed to make a play to come up with that, whether it's holding them to four field goals or holding them on third down. What has gone into that?

AKIEM HICKS: As far as holding them on third downs?

Q. Coming up with those plays when you need to get a stop.

AKIEM HICKS: Yeah, I think that's part of how we're built. We understand that there are going to be plays that we give up during the course of the game, but there's a desire, right, there's an ambition to be productive and to make those plays that our team needs.

So I think that when it comes to those situations, we are going to win our fair share as a defense and we have to shore up those other occasions where they are not able to complete and get that first down. Make no mistake: The game of football, there's a reason why that everyone gives up a couple points. They are going to get a couple of first downs, and your job is to make sure once you get into that red zone, you're fighting and you're not giving up and you're not saying, okay, they march down 40, 50 yards. Let's just give them a touchdown and get off the field. Our mindset is to punish our opponent until the very last second, so that's what we do.

Q. Y'all went against a really tough offensive line in the Colts. How did you feel you did in trying to dominate the line?

AKIEM HICKS: Much respect to their offensive line and much respect to their team. They came out victorious today. But we fear no man. We play football. And so when it comes to meeting a challenge, we are going to rise to that occasion and I think that we did our best to do so today.

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