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Tremon Smith

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Q. Can you take us through your interception?

TREMON SMITH: That first game was real fun. That's what we've been waiting all comp to do is go out and compete against everybody else. Didn't get tired of lining up against our receivers but it was fun seeing somebody else. On that interception, I felt the routes -- was getting digs and overs the whole game and I kept that in the back of my mind and seen him take off and beat him to the spot.

Q. Justin said you had a chance to take it to the house.

TREMON SMITH: Not with the toe tap on the side. I think he more talking about the punt return, I felt like I should have got that punt return to the house. I'm going to get it this week though.

Not watching it for like the fourth or fifth time, I give it to him, it's whatever. Ref aren't going to argue with me on the field because it was so bang-bang but it was a good call at the end of the day.

Q. What do you feel you bring to the table?

TREMON SMITH: I feel good, me and Justin and Lonnie we trained in off-season and the coaches did a good job of getting us together during the OTAs and working hard and once we in here we bond together real quick and it wasn't bad at all.

Q. Your background, does that help you?

TREMON SMITH: Oh, yeah and also I knew Coach Ross in Indianapolis. He's a guy you love to play for. I could not come play for him and it's a great choice by him obviously to come coach for the Texans.

Q. The success of the defense --

TREMON SMITH: The D-Line held their own. That's the reason -- I praise d Rivers for my pick for that -- D-Line played a real good game. We had two strip sacks and it

starts up front and their job, they make our jobs a lot easier on the back end.

Q. Is it less time that you have to be --

TREMON SMITH: It just force the quarterback to throw real bad throws and just rush his throws so he can't get his drop or get his proper read. As long as our D-Line rushing like that on the back end we're going to have a real successful year.

I was with Dino in 2019 in Philadelphia for probably two or three months, so just coming from that and just knowing his background, how hard he worked on his way up to get to this coaching job, and just how hard I worked to get in this position, it was a good connection.

Q. How would you describe this team's mentality?

TREMON SMITH: We got a lot to prove. It's all new guys pretty much on a one-year deal, two-year deal, I feel like we're here to prove ourselves and put the league on notice.

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