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Q. How would you describe the feeling in the locker room? Is it a wake-up call?

TREVOR LAWRENCE: Yeah. I mean, it's -- obviously sucks. Like losing is always -- losing is always hard, especially when you feel like you're prepared and had a great week and really think we were ready and just obviously didn't play well.

Starts with me. I played really bad tonight. So disappointing for sure. I still believe in this team. I still know what we're capable of. And we did some good things.

We started off with some penalties, three and out. But then after that, we had a couple of good drives, hit some big plays. There's a lot of good things there. We've got to keep doing those and learn from the bad. And we've got to watch it and learn from it for sure. But then flip the page.

It's a long season. We can't let this snowball. We've got to move on and go win next week. That's where we're going to start at, but it's definitely disappointing for sure.

Q. You guys didn't have a lot of procedural problems in the preseason, but that happened a little today. Do you know why?

TREVOR LAWRENCE: It's a mix of everything. I think that's something we've got to talk about as a team, an offense, coaches, everybody. We've got to just figure out what to do better there. Definitely some stuff we've got to clean up. Too many penalties. Like I said, turnovers, it's all me. Three turnovers. You're not going to win many games with three turnovers, especially when margin was minus three for us, so just not good.

Gave them one right in our -- you know, backed up, threw one to them right before half, kind of right there. It was just

not great. So a lot of things we've got to do better.

But, like I said, you've got to watch them and correct them and then move on. Like you said, procedure stuff. We'll get that fixed. Partly -- we've got a lot of new guys that just came in and all of that. So we'll clean it up.

Q. Was there a miscommunication on the last interception?

TREVOR LAWRENCE: Honestly, that was me just trying to do too much. I lost the Mike playing zone. They played cover two all night pretty much. Just kind of lost the Mike in my sight of vision, and just kind of forced it there. And just pressed a little bit. I've got to take what they're giving me. Play the slow game. Get better at that for sure.

Q. Later in the game, I saw you with the receivers on the sideline having discussions with them. What was the conversation with your skill guys when you met with them?

TREVOR LAWRENCE: Just keep trusting it. It's going to come. Obviously, there was ups and downs. We didn't start great, but then right after that first drive, like I said, we kind of had some momentum, started playing well. And then just up and down the whole game and just telling them, telling the O-line stick together. Keep making plays. Keep playing.

Even at the end, I know it didn't change the game, but going and scoring right there. Like, I like how we fought and got that last drive. A good two-minute drill. Put it in. Looked clean. That was great. I thought that was good for us. Obviously, like I said, didn't change the game. But we kept playing. That was the one thing that -- you know, nobody quit. And, obviously, it was a rough game. We're going to get better. But that was the main thing is just keep playing. We're going to make the plays. I'm going to get better. We're going to make those. I missed some bad ones today and obviously had too many turnovers, but we'll get better.

Q. Do you feel like you pressed a lot today, in terms of those throws and when the game started to get away



from you?

TREVOR LAWRENCE: A few times. I think that one -- the first pick was just a bad throw. We had them. Scramble drill. I had Devine right there. He did a good job. I threw it inside too much. So that was just a bad throw.

It's either a bad throw or a bad decision when you throw a pick. And bad decisions, those are the ones that will get you for sure. So that was just a bad throw.

But then later, they ran cover two. And I tried to throw a corner ball in there. And the corner was dropping. And should have just checked it down. That was the one when we were backed up.

And then I threw one over the middle when I lost the Mike. Tried to force it. Those were the three. Like I said, it's just hard to win games when you turn the ball over. It starts with me. That was all me. Got to get better.

Q. How hard is it to know that you have to go through all of that rough stuff and mistakes starting off?

TREVOR LAWRENCE: For sure. Yeah. It's definitely part of the learning process. I'm kind of a perfectionist, so it's frustrating just because I did some things that I don't normally do and just threw -- some bad decisions that I'm disappointed in.

But, like you said, it's part of the learning process. If you use it to learn, it's all good. And we'll get better. But got to get better for sure.

Q. Outside of the outcome, how was it playing in your first NFL regular season game?

TREVOR LAWRENCE: Obviously, it leaves a bad taste in your mouth when you don't win but -- it's a cool experience. But, yeah, when you don't win the game, it's kind of like not a good feeling so --

Q. On your first touchdown pass, how did that play open up for you and what did you see?

TREVOR LAWRENCE: We put them in a bind. Turned it into the strong side with motion in the back out. They had zone coverage and just lost the seam. That was kind of the plan with that play. We really liked it and worked just the way we drew it up. So it was nice.

Q. Do you know what you're going to do on certain plays and decide before the play, or just base it on what you see from the defense after the snap?

TREVOR LAWRENCE: No, I -- all of them. Like the first one I threw, like I said, on the corner where the corner just dropped into coverage and picked it. Right when I was throwing it, like last second, I'm like, damn, this is going to be a pick right here. So I'm trying to chase him and go make the tackle.

And then the other one, right when I let it go, I saw the Mike right there. Both of those.

That's usually the case. Right when you're letting it go or right after you throw it, you know what you did. Still got to get better, got to play smarter.

Q. Were you and the receivers on the same page all day today?

TREVOR LAWRENCE: We've just got to clean it up. We've got to play cleaner, be on the same page. I think a lot of the times we were. We made some great plays.

You saw -- we had a great third and 15 conversion with D.J., a little deep dig route, which was awesome. But a lot of little things where we -- it's not necessarily they're getting it wrong or I'm getting it wrong. We've just got to work and get on the same page with the routes.

You guys know, there's so many adjustments with the way different teams play defenses. You've really got to be on the same page and definitely got to get better at that timing.

And then I've got to be more accurate. There was a lot of opportunities that I missed. I probably missed four or five open receivers that could have been big plays or even just keep the chains moving so --

Q. How much were you impacted by that pass rush when you were scrambling outside of the pocket?

TREVOR LAWRENCE: You know, they have a pretty good pass rush. But I think our guys up front did a really good job. I think we threw the ball 50 times and one sack. And that was at the very end. So I thought our guys did a great job up front.

In this league, there's going to be some rush. There's going to be some times where you're going to have to get it out. I thought we managed that okay. It was just kind of everything else that we didn't execute well.

But from a protection standpoint, I thought we communicated well. We ID'd it good. And, yeah, obviously, there's going to be a few every game.

But I thought the guys up front did a hell of a job, especially in the run game. I thought we ran the ball well. It's just tough when you get behind. In the second half, you've got to try to push the ball down field.

Q. Is this the first time in your life you've had a three-interception game?

TREVOR LAWRENCE: Yeah. Yeah. It is. Yeah.

Q. You haven't lost much in your football career. How are you going to respond to this?

TREVOR LAWRENCE: No. I know I'm going to respond well. I'm made of the right stuff, so I don't have any doubt about that.

But it's frustrating, and I hate losing. I hate losing. So we're going to get better. But that's all you can do is watch the tape, learn from it, get better, and move on.

We've just got to stick together. That's the main thing. That's kind of in the past. That's over. It is what it is. We've got to move on to next week and stick together. So it's going to be good. All right, you all.

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