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Q. How does it feel for you, come-from-behind?

MAC JONES: It felt really good. I think the offensive line did a great job and I think it all starts with them. So they were doubted all week and there was this and that and all the noise around that and they came out and they played really hard and they played together. I think I only got hit one time the whole game.

So just shout-out to those guys and they are a big reason why it happened and it was just -- we just out-competed. I don't know if we out-played the other team but we definitely out-competed and that's all we can ask ourselves to do. There's a lot of stuff that I'm going to watch on film and wish I had back, but sometimes it's just -- you've just got to find a way to win and it feels better to not play as well and win but learn at the same time than play okay and end up losing.

So the win feels good.

Q. The touchdown pass to Hunter, what did you see?

MAC JONES: Yeah, he did a good job getting open and sometimes the ball didn't always go to him on that play but he ran a good route and I just saw it and he made a really good catch and I had plenty of time. The offensive line gave me time back there. All those things add up and I think there's plays we left out there on the field but at the same time, we needed to just put together scoring drives, kicks or touchdowns and I think if you take away our turnovers, which one of them was obviously my fault and then Damien, it was just a bang-bang play. I think we put a lot of emphasis on that and we didn't do a good job of that.

But we still fought through that and just tried to put points on the board.

Q. Did you see him run that out in previous games?

MAC JONES: Yeah, he did a good job even last year just

watching his like highlights and stuff. That's one of his good routes that he has a good feel for, the corner, the flag. He does a good job. Hunter is a tough guy and I think all the skill players played with toughness today.

Yeah, that's all you can ask from them is play with toughness and try to do your job and they did a good job listening in the huddle and we just tried to go out there and execute.

Q. When you're down four starting offensive lineman, in the week of preparation, do you get with David and put in extra time and make sure you're on the same page?

MAC JONES: Yeah, I think just whoever in there, I know it was tough not to have all the guys we had previously but the guy who is stepped up and played really hard all played together and it starts with me and David. David has a lot of experience under his belt. He knows pretty much everything about the offense, like the back of his hand.

And I think just not having that gap in the communication there's going to be some of that with a young quarterback like me, so he's always doing what he's supposed to do. The other guys did a good job protecting and listening to calls during crunch time it. Just shows that you have to be ready and they stepped up to the opportunity and I told them that after the game that they all did a good job stepping up and just taking advantage of their opportunities. So they played great.

Q. Do you think would you have been able to pull off the defense without the defense in the second half?

MAC JONES: I think we definitely wouldn't have, they just played really well. Like I said we turned the ball over so we put them in tough positions sometimes. You know, they played really well all year, and it's our job to put more points up on the board so the games are not as close as they are.

We have a great defense, veteran group. I have all the confidence in the world, even if something happened, that they would have gotten a stop or whatever would have



happened. They just played hard and they played together and they are a lot of fun to go against in practice. They are going to keep getting better and we need to raise our offensive bar to what they are doing on defense.

Q. What did happen on the interception?

MAC JONES: I just didn't throw the ball very well. Protection was fine. It was just a bad throw and I didn't step into it like I know how to do. I wish I had it back but I've run that play a thousand times and completed it a lot, so I'll watch it on film and figure out what I could have done better. But the timing was good. The route was fine. It was just me making a bad throw.

Q. How do you feel after --

MAC JONES: I'm good. I just got bumped and was bleeding. It's part of the game. Nothing's hurt so I feel great.

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