### Houston Texans Media Conference

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## **Davis Mills**

Postgame Press Conference

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# Q. How did you feel out there? Obviously you started off quicker than you finished. How did things flow, what you could see?

DAVIS MILLS: It was fun, it was fun to get back out there, obviously out there leading the team. But like you said I felt like we started off hot. Built some momentum up early in the first half. And then just gotta be able to sustain that throughout the game. But overall, I thought it was a good day for what the result was.

# Q. Why do you think you guys couldn't sustain it throughout the game? What was the source of the inconsistency?

DAVIS MILLS: I mean, we've got to go back and watch it on tape to really get the answer to that. But just the biggest thing is just executing and playing clean on all three phases.

#### Q. (Indiscernible) said he felt like you were not forcing anything, kind of taking the checkdowns there. Is that something you feel you're cognizant of or you're thinking of during the game, or is it kind of natural now with the second stint as a starter?

DAVIS MILLS: A lot is just taking what the defense is giving you. They were playing with a lot of depth on the defense. Checkdowns were there. You can't go broke taking a profit. Felt like we could move the ball down the field like that.

# Q. Couple injuries throughout the game. You had one running back at one point. What does that do whenever you're trying to move the ball, having struggles at that time?

DAVIS MILLS: It's tough when Rex went down. Royce was the only guy in there. We had to bring in Jordan Akins a little bit to play some halfback position and some of the empty sets. But it's tough. It kind of limits you a little bit.



We had to throw a little more than we wanted to. Could do a little less in the run game. Hopefully Rex is all right. Built for that. And I think we're more efficient when we're able to balance things out between running backs.

### Q. (Inaudible)?

DAVIS MILLS: I think the score kind of gave that off too. We had to move the ball a little quicker when we needed to. We were trying to get back within the reach of the game. So I think there's some different things that played into it.

Q. You all are trying to win the game, but when the score is what it is and you feel like you have to run the ball is that good experience for you just having to, being able to go out there, sling it no matter what the result ends up being?

DAVIS MILLS: I'm fine with anything that goes on out there. I've got to continue to learn and kind of just build experience from all the looks that I see out there from the defenses and just keep moving forward.

# Q. Sounded like stock market lingo when you said you can't go broke taking a profit. Is that where that came from?

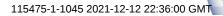
DAVIS MILLS: I've heard that my whole life. Just gotta find completions out there on the field. And that's -- they always say that about finding the running backs out in the backfield, checking it down. If you're gaining yards by throwing check downs, you can keep moving the ball that way.

### Q. You learned that in your time here?

DAVIS MILLS: No, I learned that when I was really young, back in the day.

Q. Is the next step for you to not only get the team in the end zone, put more points on the board, obviously but making the offensive coaches feel that's what they should do, because Coach Culley was talking about that fourth down, where he had a timeout, pulled you

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### back off, you didn't like the way things were going?

DAVIS MILLS: I think we kind of talked about that. We had a certain play and the defense gave us a look that we didn't really want to on that. We ended up kicking it, taking the points. I think ultimately my job is just going and scoring points and scoring more points than the other team and winning games.

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