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Davis Mills

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Q. After this spring and off-season, where do you feel like you're at?

DAVIS MILLS: I feel like I'm at a good spot. Obviously there's still a lot of room to grow, but more confident, more comfortable out there with the offense and my teammates around me. Ready to keep progressing and head into the season.

Q. Davis, what excites you most about this team and kind of some of the new guys, the new pieces that are around you this year?

DAVIS MILLS: We've brought in a lot of guys with a lot of experience. I feel like everyone is really bought into what we're trying to do out here. I feel like we've really set the standard for how we want to treat things around this building and how we want to go at things, practice and working out wise, meeting wise. I feel like we're in a really good spot and we have a lot of good leaders on the team who are leading the team in that direction.

Q. What has been the biggest carryover from this past season to this one?

DAVIS MILLS: I think one big thing that's helped me a lot is just comfortability out there, just having experience and being able to make fast, smart decisions and protect the football.

Q. What's it like playing for Pep Hamilton, some particular aspects of his coaching style?

DAVIS MILLS: I like him a lot. He's been coaching the quarterback position for years now, so he really understands what we see back there and how we can react to things and how we can progress forward after bad plays. It feels like -- we've only been together for a year now, but he's known about me since before I was even at Stanford, so we have a really good connection in that regard. We feel like we're on a really good similar page with a lot of things, so we're excited how everything is moving.

Q. When you look at the growth that you made from training camp last year to maybe the end of the season, is it exciting now with all that experience under your belt, what you can maybe accomplish with this off-season and heading into the new year?

DAVIS MILLS: Definitely. I think experience is a big factor in how my game progressed through the last season. These reps I've gotten in this off-season are extremely valuable and I'm excited to keep progressing. Obviously I still have a lot to prove to myself and to my teammates to go out there and win games, but we're all excited for it and I want to keep moving forward.

Q. What does it mean to you that the team is investing in you as the quarterback and the guy who's going to lead this team?

DAVIS MILLS: It's awesome. Obviously I still have a lot to prove. Got to go out there and win the job each and every day and put my best foot forward each and every day at practice. It's exciting and I want to keep proving that to the guys.

Q. What does it mean to have Laremy Tunsil back on the field, and how did he look?

DAVIS MILLS: He looked great. Obviously he wasn't here for most of the off-season, but came back and really there was no time lost. He came in with a really solid feel of the playbook and I thought he stepped in today and performed extremely well. We're excited to have him back.

Q. What have you seen from Nico here in year two?

DAVIS MILLS: He's been great. Really good grasp of this offense. He ran a similar offense with Pep Hamilton at Michigan so he has a good feel for some of the things we're trying to do, and obviously has talent is off the charts. We've just got to find ways to get him the ball.

Q. How much has your off-season work with the wide receivers transcended over into this mini camp?

DAVIS MILLS: It's been great. As much time on task with the guys as we can get as possible is how we're going to be the best. I feel like we've put a lot of really good work in and everyone is on the same page, and our chemistry is at a really good spot right now, but obviously we can keep growing and I'm excited for it.

Q. The likes of Kyle and now Kevin, what do they bring?

DAVIS MILLS: It's good. They've all been in the league for multiple years, so everyone kind of has some different coaching points that they've had in the past that they share with the room, and we kind of like to bounce things off each other to make sure we're all progressing at the same pace and everything is moving in the same direction.

Q. Does Kevin have particular information about what you're doing here, just with his experience?

DAVIS MILLS: Yes, he does.

Q. What's it like throwing to Pharaoh Brown? Talk about chemistry with him; is it much further ahead now that you've had a year with him?

DAVIS MILLS: Definitely. I think he's looked extremely well this off-season. He's running some really good routes. Has a really good first step, has been really explosive this off-season. I'm looking forward to getting out on the field with him.

Q. And Brevin Jordan?

DAVIS MILLS: Same thing for Brev. He's looked good obviously. Showed some big-time play-making ability at the end of the last year and he still brings that into this year, and we're excited to see what he can do.

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