

# Miami Dolphins Media Conference

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## Xavien Howard

Postgame Presser



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**Q. Every interception has its own story. Can you just explain on that particular interception that you had today how you were able to get that ball?**

XAVIEN HOWARD: Just finishing really. I really don't want to talk about the interception. Shit, we lost, so it really don't matter.

**Q. Can you describe what happened on that long touchdown to there?**

XAVIEN HOWARD: It was a recovery push. A couple of four post had been on top, so it was a recovery push. That's what happened.

**Q. It was a cover four?**

XAVIEN HOWARD: Yeah, corner push had been on top.

**Q. The pass to Kyle Pitts, both of you were right in coverage. He was hit. He held onto the ball. Just that play, did you expect him to hold on to it?**

XAVIEN HOWARD: Say that again.

**Q. Kyle Pitts to hold on to that long pass. You both were right there in coverage.**

XAVIEN HOWARD: It was a great play. Great throw. In this league guys make great plays on the ball. Trying to make a play on the ball. Obviously, he got the ball, so, you know.

**Q. (Off mic).**

XAVIEN HOWARD: I feel great. Just being out there with the team, it's really just trying to get a W, really.

**Q. From a 1-6 perspective, this is where you expected to be. What is your opinion on why the team is in this**

**position at 1-6?**

XAVIEN HOWARD: I feel like we just got to keep getting better. We can't be shooting ourselves in the foot. You know, when we -- we got to score. We got to get the quarterback off the field. We got to make stops, and we got to create turnovers a lot on defense. Both sides. All three phases. We got to make plays out there. That's really it.

**Q. Mike just said the morale is still high. Would you agree with that assessment, and, you know, many teams could be broken at this point in losing six straight. Why is the morale still high, if you do agree with that?**

XAVIEN HOWARD: We've got to stick together, man. It's football. Each week, it's hard to win in the NFL, so you got to stay strong and stick together.

**Q. Particularly deflating after a fourth turnover today. Very next play offense gives the ball back, and defense has to come right back out on the field.**

XAVIEN HOWARD: We got to make plays out there. We got to execute, and I feel like all three phases, we got to make plays out there.

**Q. So there's ten regular season games left. How would you describe what the source of the motivation should be and can be for the team?**

XAVIEN HOWARD: Like I said, we just got to stick together. Each week we're expecting to win, so you know we're not trying to lose, but, like I said, we're just shooting ourselves in the foot. Each week we got to prepare and get ready for the next opponent.

Appreciate you.

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