PATRIOTS QUARTERBACK MAC JONES

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Q. Just your thoughts on the first home victory, your first victory here at Gillette stadium and the offensive explosion that you guys were able to put.

MJ: Yeah, it was great. That's what we want to do, and I think we got a little flavor of if we do everything right throughout the week and practice well and do our job in the game, it kind of translates over, and you just play together as a unit, as an offense, and then special teams played well, really good. The defense played great. It's all three phases, and that's what happens when you can do that. We're not satisfied. We've got plenty of games left, and we're excited we finally kind of saw a little bit of a result that was good, and we've just got to stick to the formula and stick to the process.

Q. First it was Jacoby, now Kendrick getting into the mix for throwing touchdown passes. How is it having the ability to have the threat to throw the ball, spread it around so much and being able to execute in the trick plays?

MJ: Yeah, I think it's great. I think it just adds another variable to our offense. Josh does a great job scheming up, and I'm not going to give away all of our trick plays, but I think there are good ones. Sometimes we run them, sometimes we don't, and it just adds like a third element to the game.

Yeah, KB had a nice little throw there and a good celebration.

Q. I think you guys scored every time you touched the ball in the first half. How important was it for you guys to start fast, and when you scored touchdowns on the first two drives, what did that do for the group's confidence going forward?

MJ: Yeah, I think the energy was really good. We've made an emphasis to start fast, and that's what every team wants to do when they get the ball, try and score a field goal or a touchdown. When we do that, it's good, and when we don't, we just have to keep playing. You've seen us do both, and we've just got to continue to come out, and



the offensive line had great juice early on, and they played great. I don't think I got hit but maybe one time on like a trick play or something.

It was really impressive the way they played and came together, just everybody just playing together, all 11.

Q. Is it coincidental that on national tight end day that you targeted the tight ends nine times, and to follow that up, is that something you try to do is ramp up the tight end position?

MJ: Yeah, Hunter told me it was national tight end day before the game actually, not that it had anything to do with it, but it was just funny.

Yeah, I think tight ends, all of our tight ends play well, and they play well in the run game and the pass game and they do exactly what they're supposed to do. I think it's good when you have great skill players and great running backs, great receivers, and then our O-line is coming together, and we're going to keep making progress. I felt comfortable back there, and they did a great job, so it takes all groups and not one specific group.

It is good to see everyone getting a little bit of their share, and we've just got to keep doing that.

Q. How much of a boost can this game give you, you personally and the offense as a whole?

MJ: Yeah, I think it just goes back to stacking days, and today we were focused on today. That's a result that showed. We came in and we had good energy, 1:00 kickoff, and we were ready to play. We've got to do that every time. It can't be a one-time thing. Like I said, we're not satisfied at all by any means. We have plenty of work to do, and plenty to get better at. It just makes it more fun when you can see a little bit of results, and then, like I said, focus on the process of the week and focus on how we can get better.

Q. How did it feel to be able to get a chance to execute a two-minute drive at the end of the half there, and did you feel like that helped you get into any kind of rhythm at all?

MJ: Yeah, I think Josh did a good job there just pushing

... when all is said, we're done.



the tempo, calling great plays, and then offensive line doing their job, I had plenty of time and we were going fast, and with speed comes communication. That's always good, puts stress on the defense. Yeah, we did a good job just moving the ball down the field, and I'll have to watch it and just see what I can do better.

I know one of the throws was really bad to the right on a little flare. I remember that one. I'll try and fix that and just keep moving forward.

Q. What did you see on the deep pass to Kendrick? Seemed like you guys were hunting that play a few times today.

MJ: Yeah, I think it was just a one-on-one opportunity, and all of our guys got open, and it's just pick your poison. I just had good time in the pocket, offensive line did a good job protecting, and then just let it go, and he made a good play.

We can continue to do that and just continue to refine other areas that we want to work on. So that was a good start.

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