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Q. JP, it seemed like one of your better games, especially offensively. What was working for you?

JORDAN POOLE: We got it going early. We were able to attack in transition. We got the ball moving around, got some easy looks, kind of played off that momentum.

Q. What about you individually? What about you got going tonight?

JORDAN POOLE: Just being aggressive, playing my game, saw some shots go in early, tried to just create offense.

Q. How nice was it just to get a win for you guys after trying to break through for a few games here?

JORDAN POOLE: It was huge. It's really hard to win in this league, and any win that we can get, got to be thankful, got to find ways to translate over to the next game, just continue to build how we have been all year.

Q. It felt like you were playing a lot more point guard tonight than during some previous games in the season, especially at the start of the second quarter when you and that five-man lineup went on a 22 to 5 run. How do you evaluate your point guard play, and how much did you enjoy that?

JORDAN POOLE: Yeah, I feel pretty comfortable on ball, getting my teammates involved, being aggressive, kind of just drawing in the defense and just trying to get my teammates easy shots. We were able to get out in transition, got a couple actions that were able to work, and feel pretty comfortable, and like you said, 22-5 run was huge for us, and we just kept our foot on the pedal.

Q. In the upcoming games you'll be playing your former team. What are your feelings about that?

JORDAN POOLE: It'll be cool to go back to Chase, see

the fans. We've got a couple games before that. Got to focus on the task at hand, be in the present. It'll be cool.

Q. You were pretty hot there in the first quarter especially. Do you think the first quarter has been indicative for you this season, like if you play really well in the first quarter, does that lead to a solid performance overall?

JORDAN POOLE: I'm not sure.

Q. After a game like this, what's the mindset going into a game where you're going to be playing against Devin Booker, Kevin Durant and everybody else. Same mindset?

JORDAN POOLE: Yeah, we've just got to translate, try to play the way that we did tonight. There's talented players really all throughout the league, really good teams. Like I said, it's just hard to win in this league. Continue to do what we did tonight, try to learn and try to build off that, use that momentum and try to get some wins on the road.

Q. For you to have your season high tonight, Kuz also had 31, some other guys like Kispert and Bilal off the bench, how big is it for so many people to have a big game like this, and how much momentum do you think that might be able to build for you guys going forward?

JORDAN POOLE: It was huge. Ball was moving around, guys were locked in, guys were making shots. We were connecting on the defensive end. I think we've seen stretches all year, but to be able to put it together for a full game against a really good team is huge. It just shows you what we're capable of, but everybody stepped up tonight, and it was huge.

Q. What was the key to slowing Haliburton knowing how well he's been playing lately?

JORDAN POOLE: Just stick to the game plan. Obviously a tough cover. He's been playing really good all season. A lot of games, long season. Some nights you have it, some



nights you don't. We were able to slow him down a little bit, and it resulted to a win.

Q. What would you say is the biggest difference from your perspective in this game versus the Pacers versus like opening night?

JORDAN POOLE: What game is this for us?

Q. 24th.

JORDAN POOLE: So 23 games. We've got experience, learning how to play with each other, just kind of figuring it out on the fly. If there's anything to see how we played that first game to see how we play 23 games in, you learn, you get better, and that's all we can ask of ourselves and just try to keep that up all season, continue to build, and like I said, put up the momentum that we did tonight.

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