## AL Championship Series: Mariners vs Blue Jays

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## **Toronto Blue Jays Addison Barger**

Postgame 6 Press Conference

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Q. With a couple big ones for you lately, how does it feel to be part of these wins coming up in these big spots for you?

ADDISON BARGER: Yeah, I mean, it feels awesome. Obviously, the goal is to help the team win every day. It's the playoffs, so we got to win. So any way it comes, we're pretty happy about it.

Q. It's been a long time since a Game 7 here. What about your team specifically do you think is built for a Game 7 and that pressure?

ADDISON BARGER: I think it's just we're so confident in all our guys, 1 through 9, in the order, especially. Like everybody says, we win games in a bunch of different ways and it seems like it's always a different guy getting the job done. So I think it's just the confidence in each of us, and we're not going to make it too big of a deal. We're just going to go out and compete.

Q. What did you like about that pitch you sent over the fence and how did it feel to have all the fans going bananas for you?

ADDISON BARGER: It felt awesome. Obviously, that's a moment you dream about as a kid and everything. Yeah, Gilbert's, he's disgusting. He has a great arm. I think it was just left that slider a little too middle and got extended on it and that was it.

Q. Ernie hit that off the fence and ran hard, so he got a triple out of it. Even when you hit your home run, you were running hard to first. Can you talk about this team's hustle on these little things that are winning games for you?



ADDISON BARGER: Yeah, we hustle. We run hard. I think it's just a testament to the group of guys we have. We bust it down the line every time. We're never really taking it easy. That's just kind of the core of guys we have.

Q. When Yesavage comes out and retires the first six guys he faces, four, I think, were on strikeouts, what kind of lift does that give you guys in the dugout knowing that he's buying you guys some time to kind of get going?

ADDISON BARGER: Huge. Our confidence and trust in him is super high. He's obviously proven himself a few times now. He's been unbelievable. But, yeah, just to get a few innings to try to get to Gilbert is huge.

Q. There's always a lot of talk about putting a loss behind you. How do you guys put a win behind you now needing one more?

ADDISON BARGER: I mean, it's a do-or-die game. It's win or go home. So we understand that. And it's just kind of the same thing going into tonight. We come up with a win, but that doesn't matter tomorrow. Tomorrow's about winning the game and going out and playing our best.

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