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BB: All right. Well, not too much to say after that one. You know, tough loss. But got to learn from it. And, you know, just keep working harder and move on. So there's really not too much to say.

Q. Bill, on the last play with Cole, did you get a good view of the play of how close Cole came? And did you get an explanation from the officials on what they saw to be able to overturn the call?

BB: Yeah, you should talk to the officials. I'm sure they'll do a full report on that. So...

Q. Bill, what can the team learn from this game?

BB: We learn from every game. We'll learn from all of them.

Q. Seems like the slow starts are -- you know, well, two games, but both games slow starts. To what do you attribute that -- the slow starts?

BB: Can't turn the ball over.

Q. Bill, what went into the decision to keep Demario Douglas off the field after his first quarter fumble?

BB: Yeah, we played all of our skill players.

Q. I --

BB: They all played.

Q. I don't think we saw him take another offensive snap after that play.

BB: Look, we had a lot of pressure on offense. Parker had a good day. Hunter had a good day, Ju Ju, KB. So, you know, a lot of good players. Can't play everybody.

Q. Bill, the Brenden Schooler blocked field goal was perfectly timed. Was that a designed thing? Did he come in from the sideline? Was he flexed out? Because the TV camera didn't show where exactly he

came from?

BB: Yeah, he timed it up -- time it upped and hit it well. Really made a good play on it.

Q. Bill, was the plan to not use Demario Douglas after the first on offense?

BB: He returned punts.

Q. Well, on offense --

BB: I don't know if he played all of -- yeah, look, we could talk about this every week. And there will be somebody that played less than somebody else. We've got a lot of skilled players.

Q. That seemed real -- he didn't get on offense after the fumble, though.

BB: Yeah, okay.

Q. Bill, it seemed defensively you guys sold out to kind of take away the deep pass and they didn't connect many deep ones. But underneath, how difficult was it controlling their speed with the underneath stuff tonight?

BB: Yeah, we could have done a better job on some of those. So, yeah, I mean, they hit a few of them. And it was possession passes. So...