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Boston College Eagles Coach Joanna Bernabei-McNamee Dontavia Waggoner Teya Sidberry

Postgame Press Conference

Boston College 85, Clemson 72

JOANNA BERNABEI-MCNAMEE: I think we had a complete team, offensive and defensive, game. That shows from where you saw we had 22 assists. They were playing. They were moving. I think we're all coming together at the right time, and I love the way they're sticking together.

We had a pretty short lineup today, but if you could hear our bench from the sidelines, everybody was completely into it. And I'm just really proud of this team and the grit that they're showing right now.

Q. This is three wins in a row now. What's working so well?

DONTAVIA WAGGONER: Just like Coach Mac said, I think we're coming together at the right time and we're just building off momentum. I think those last two wins, we're just going to keep building off of it. We're playing together. We're playing with all of our energy, and that's key for us right now.

TEYA SIDBERRY: I think we're really going after it, and we have nothing to lose so we have that chip on our shoulder.

Q. With Clemson, you know the three players that are going to hurt you, but you did a really good job. No one other than Whitehorn, Harris, or Robinson scored until the third quarter. What did you do to take everybody else out of the game?



JOANNA BERNABEI-MCNAMEE: Yeah, I was wondering where you were going with that because those three players scored a lot of points, and they played really well.

I think we didn't really necessarily want to focus on one player in this game. We wanted to focus on what their tendencies are as a team and try to take those tendencies away. We worked hard on trying to take the high low away, worked hard on trying to not them get penetrations and dumps inside and making sure their shooters were a little bit contained on the perimeter.

Q. Teya, they had a run there about midway through the fourth quarter. They had cut it down to four. You had two pretty big plays there. You had the bucket where you put it back and then the three-pointer to answer. Can you talk about that sequence? Did you feel like you were back in control once you did that?

TEYA SIDBERRY: Yes, that was fun. I don't really remember too much from the game, but I remember -- when my teammates are like attacking and being aggressive, it really opens up the floor for me. So that was nice on that little three I was open.

Q. Teya, the shot that you threw over your shoulder in the fourth quarter, was that kind of a sign that it was you guys' day? How did that go in?

TEYA SIDBERRY: I'm not even going to lie; I have no idea how that went in. But, hey, I think that it was just us being aggressive. I was finding the bucket, I guess. Sometimes I just be throwing it up there. Hopefully I get the foul call, and I made the basket and got the foul call. We needed that because we needed the momentum to come our way because they were building a little bit of momentum on offense for them.

Q. Dontavia, you have, I think, more than 90 steals this season. Just one today, but your defense was still very good. What's made you so good at forcing turnovers?

DONTAVIA WAGGONER: I think that just in general, I've



always been like a high-motor defensive player all my life. And I think as I've been playing AC and continuing to expand my game, defense has always been my one thing that I always try to be consistent with and always try to bring it every time we play. Because I know that offense wins games, defense wins championship. I try to go hard every time on defense as much as I can.

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