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## Madison Keys

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**THE MODERATOR:** Questions, please.

**Q. A tough one tonight but a great tournament. Can you just talk through the match a little bit and your thoughts how things kind of shifted over the course of it.**

**MADISON KEYS:** Obviously I started really well. I don't think she was playing her best at the start. Then from the second set, it just, you know, got a lot closer. I was obviously up a break, and I think serving for it I was tight. She played free. Then from there, it just seemed like it was really, you know, kind of neck and neck.

Overall I actually thought it was a really good match and pretty high level. Just unfortunately on the losing end.

**Q. Can you talk about the injury that you had or at least was getting checked over. For the fans to say, Let's go, Maddie, and how they were backing you all the way?**

**MADISON KEYS:** Yeah, obviously playing in a stadium full of people that are behind me is always amazing. I definitely tried to leave it all out there tonight and do my best, and that's all you can do.

**Q. When you come back with the leg wrapped, does it take away any power, any speed, anything? Did it take away any of your game at all?**

**MADISON KEYS:** No.

**Q. Can you reflect a little bit, the start of the tournament, semifinal, sounds like a pretty good result. Can you just reflect on the kind of tournament you have been able to have and if it constitutes as a springboard do you feel like for you going forward this year?**



**MADISON KEYS:** I think everyone at the start of the tournament would obviously be really, really excited to be in the semis. Right now it sucks. But yeah, I just think being able to, you know, take this and turn it to a positive is really possible. Yeah, there is still a lot to be proud of and still tons of tennis to play this season.

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