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Postgame Quotes

#15/14 Maryland 114, Loyola 45

Head Coach Brenda Frese

Opening Statement:

"Obviously, I'm extremely pleased. I thought that was a dominating performance where we kept our foot on the gas and never took it off. We've been talking about playing both ends of the floor defensively and offensively and now I feel like we've put together back-to-back games where I think we've taken major steps forward. Especially offensively, I just love the unselfishness we played with today. When you see how many weapons we have on this team we can do some very exciting things together when we allow the game to come to us and read what the defense is giving us."

On having only six turnovers:

"I'm thrilled. I was telling them that I thought it was a misprint from our three turnovers at halftime. I'm really excited for how hard this team has been working and for them to see what if they buy in on the things we're talking about, great things are going to happen to this team. I saw that buy in to break the school record. We've had no team do that. Just understand what that means and what they did tonight. Definitely exciting to see those 37 assists and six turnovers."

On scoring off of Loyola's turnovers:

"I liked how we came out and set the tone. We practiced our full court press and I see it paying off. It is fun with this group because it feels like whenever we find a weakness they turn it into a strength. So we can do some really big things if they keep that mentality of being hungry and see that trend of this team coming together."

On the 32-12 margin in the second quarter:

"I just thought we kept making the easy plays. Like the one-more passes and attacking to kicks. We've talked a lot about playing to our strengths so finding Blair [Watson] to get a three or Ieshia [Small] comes in finding her kill zone at the free throw line, she did a phenomenal job. And I thought this was Channise's [Lewis] best command, floor general game that she could've happened. Just how she pushed tempo and ran the team tonight is fun. I thought she put her stamp on the game immediately and held it for 40 minutes."

Redshirt Senior Guard Ieshia Small

On preparing for conference games:

"We're not the same team we were the first game of the season. We're getting better each day and I'm just excited to see what we bring to the table when conference and just to see the growth of where we are as a team now. Even the last game I thought we got better."

Freshman Guard Channise Lewis

On gaining confidence in the offense:

"I feel way more comfortable now than I did at the beginning of the season. Each practice I'm getting better and getting more comfortable with each play. As the game keeps on progressing, the team is making it easy for me to get them the ball and open shots... The process is 'keep this going', I'm getting better at it so it's just going to take more practice and dedication and staying focused for the rest of the process."

Sophomore Guard Blair Watson

On preparing for finals this week:

"With going into finals this week, I'm just going to focus more on shooting, getting better and obviously finals, and then carrying that into Big Ten play."

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