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GREG ROUSSEAU

BORN: April 5, 2000 | HT: 6-6 | WT: 266 | 5th year

COLLEGE: Miami (FL)

ACQUIRED: Draft (2021, R1)

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FIRST-AND-10

GREG ROUSSEAU agreed to terms on a four-year contract extension with the Bills, keeping him in Buffalo through the 2029 season. Rousseau was originally drafted by the Bills in the first round (30th overall) in 2021. Since being drafted by the Bills, Rousseau leads the team with 25.0 career sacks.

SHOUTOUTS

- Led all Bills pass rushers with 8.0 sacks in 2024, tying his career high previously set in 2022.
- Recorded 6 QB hits vs. TEN (10/20/24). That mark is tied for the second-most in a single game in the NFL over the last two seasons.
- Named AFC Defensive Player of the Week following his performance vs. ARI (9/8/24). Recorded a career-high 3 sacks and tied Ben Williams (3 in 1983) for most ever by a Bill in a season opener.
- Started all 16 regular season games he played in 2023, recording 42 tackles, a career-high 13 TFLs, 5.0 sacks, four passes defended, a forced fumble and fumble recovery.
- His 8.0 sacks in 2022 established a new career high and led all Bills defenders (tied with Von Miller).
- Earned his first-career AFC Defensive Player of the Week award following his performance at KC (10/10/21). He notched the first interception of his career and finished the game with five tackles, a sack and an interception.
- Made his first-career start vs. Pit. (9/12/21).
- Led the ACC in sacks with 15.5 in 2019, his final season at the University of Miami.

PERSONAL

Pronounced roo-SO. Son Oskal and Anne, Haitian immigrants who left their homeland in the 1980's. Has two older brothers Ricky and Marvyn, and a younger brother, Jonathan. Graduated in 2024 with a criminology degree.

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BUFFALO CONNECTIONS

It always seems like you can find a Buffalo connection in most situations and that is no different with the Bills first-round draft pick Greg Rousseau.

Of course he's heard the typical, obvious stuff:

"I know there's Niagara Falls there, it pretty much borders Canada, I'm pretty sure there's Lake Erie so the same lake in Cleveland is over there," Rousseau said.

But his understanding of Western New York runs deeper than that.

"My mom had my older brother in Buffalo so my parents lived in Buffalo for I think five years, four years, so I'm very familiar with Buffalo."

The Bills drafted the Miami defensive end with the 30th overall pick in this year's draft as they continue to add youth to the position and someone who already has ties to the area.

"I know all about it, Jim Kelly, the whole nine yards, and they got the Miami connection for sure," Rousseau said in a zoom call with reporters after the first-round.

He laughed and said he'll get all the exact details from his parents but said he thinks they lived in Buffalo from the mid to late 90's when his mom was likely getting her nursing degree.

THE STAMPEDE

Nickname: Groot

First job: Manning a bounce house at children's parties in the summer

Favorite TV show: Walking Dead

Favorite athlete growing up: Kawhi Leonard

Favorite food: Sushi