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## LOS ANGELES CHARGERS vs. DENVER BRONCOS

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### LOS ANGELES CHARGERS HEAD COACH ANTHONY LYNN

#### **Opening Statement:**

"Sorry for keeping you guys waiting. We had a lot to talk about. We say it every week — more games in this league lost than won, and today we lost that one. Not to take anything away from the Broncos, that team was ready to play. That team — you look at the losses and they all came to division leaders, so we knew that was a heck of a football team. We knew that at some point they're going to turn it around, and we were hoping it wasn't today. 14 penalties for 120-yards — you have to be kidding me. Those are things we've stayed away from — penalties and turnovers — but they showed up today. For whatever reason, I don't know. We'll figure it out though."

#### **On deciding to throw the ball instead of running it after the two-minute warning:**

"We needed a first down to win the game, and we were trying to stay aggressive. We needed a first down. We got a play where a back goes one way and a quarterback goes the other way on, I think, second-and-three. Then, we need one first down to win the game. That's what we needed. We weren't trying to run time off the clock and punt it back to them and put the defense back on the field. Let's get the game rolling right now. One first down and the game is over."

#### **On what happened on the third down screen pass:**

"It was a check. It was an audible. They didn't like the coverage they saw when we went to the screen pass. That's probably just one where we should have ate it. You learn from it."

#### **On DE Joey Bosa's performance:**

"I'll know more after I watch the tape. I thought he looked good from the sideline. On a couple snaps I saw him edge rush, but I'll know more when I watch the tape."

#### **On the fake punt:**

"They schemed us, and they got it. Everybody screamed, 'fake punt,' but they still got the fake punt. It's just unacceptable two weeks back-to-back on the fake punts. It's just not acceptable."

#### **On if that was a personnel or scheme issue:**

"It's all of the above. It's not acceptable."

#### **On DT Corey Liuget's injury:**

"I think he's out for the season. It's his knee. We'll know more tomorrow, but he's out."

#### **On what happened during the interception by Broncos OLB Von Miller:**

"It was a quick pass and he made a heck of a play. He saw it coming, and he went, and he got it."

#### **On the team's run defense without LB Denzel Perryman:**

"I thought those guys — for the most part — held their own. [LB] Kyle Emanuel playing MIKE linebacker for the first time. I thought he stepped in and did a nice job. Denzel was a starter for a reason, but [LB] Uchenna [Nwosu] playing outside and Kyle playing inside — we'll keep working that tandem."

#### **On WR Keenan Allen's penalty:**

"Somebody gave him something out of the stands. He should have known, but he didn't know that he couldn't do that. You can't use a prop in a celebration."

## **LOS ANGELES CHARGERS QUARTERBACK PHILIP RIVERS**

### **On the last third down:**

"We thought it was a screen, [Broncos OLB] Von [Miller] sniffed it out. I wish I had held on to it, just took the sack and ran the time off. I didn't do that. I wish I had."

### **On if it that's a similar play on the last down:**

"Somewhat similar. Not exactly."

### **On why there were so many penalties:**

"A lot of penalties. We have got to clean that up, then we just didn't close out the game. Again, not taking the sack there. Just not finishing the game. We had it right there, until the end. We just did some things that were uncharacteristic of the seven wins we've had. Now, we've got to get that all cleaned up. Get back to work."

### **On the second down during the last possession miscommunication between him and RB Melvin Gordon III:**

"Yeah, I haven't even talked to him about it. He must have heard it wrong or something, he went the wrong way. Make sure you put that in context, because I'm not saying it to throw him under the bus. I'm sure he'll say that as well. Like I said, a few things we just didn't finish like we should have."

### **On if the penalties were due to miscommunication:**

"I can't answer that without seeing it. On some of them, we must have made all of those fouls. We are the ones who did it. I don't know. We obviously have to clean that up. That's too many yards in penalties. Then, turning it over twice and them not turning over any, you're asking to lose a game like we lost when you do that."

### **On if this is the most he has been impacted by pressure this season:**

"No, shoot, best we did on third down. I didn't feel any problems with the pressure."

### **On if this is a reevaluation check in the season:**

"I think it's just a game. Things can happen. Like, 'Oh yeah, we've tried doing this, this will never happen again.' It's every week, you're playing an NFL opponent and when you make some of the errors you made today in critical moments, you open yourselves up to continue to get beat. That's what happened today. We had every opportunity to close it out and we just didn't get it done."

### **On if the locker room is positive looking forward:**

"Yeah, I think so. We've had a good run. Shoot, we're still sitting at 7-3. There's no satisfaction, no settling, but we've got a lot to look ahead to and it's right in front of us with Arizona [Cardinals] coming into town. I don't think there's any sort of relaxing. We've had a heck of a week at practice. I felt we did a lot of really good things out there. We just did the things we haven't done - the things we have been able to stay away from, the crucial mistakes we've been able to stay away from - we didn't today. The interception turned the game around to me. That spun the whole game. It was about to be a blowout and he made that play, then the touchdown. Then, all of a sudden, they made it a game. We did those things at the end, kind of mishandling that. When we've closed out so many of these games, we're left on the field, taking a knee. We were one play from doing it again, then next thing you know, you end up one point short."

### **On the play where Gordon went the wrong way:**

"He must have heard me wrong. He went the wrong way on the call there. Again, repeating myself here, I'm not throwing him under the bus. I think he'll answer it that way, too. Equally as disappointing as that, throwing the ball away instead of trying to pull that thing back on the third down. You run another 40 seconds plus the punt, then you get another eight left maybe, instead of a minute 45. Two back-to-back plays, both of us. They aren't good enough. I don't know if you could say good, they are terrible and that's what is disappointing. We could have overcome the penalties. We could have overcome the turnovers if we just finished the game the right way. We didn't. We let it compound and we did some other things."

### **On battling Broncos CB Chris Harris Jr.:**

"He's a really good corner. I have a lot of respect for Chris. We've had some good games. He obviously had a really good play with that early interception. He contested a lot of balls, but I think while having respect for him, there's a difference in respect and fear. I feel like, I've heard Chris say he respects us and [Chargers WR] Keenan [Allen] and myself, but he doesn't fear us either. I think there's that mutual respect and competitiveness. We love to go after it with one another. Obviously, he had the one interception, made a great play. We made some plays on him and we didn't. Chris is a heck of a player."

**On the audible at the play at the very end:**

"Yeah, we had this play at man coverage. We had something on that that was okay versus the coverage. I could have just left it and dropped back and tried to convert it. I went with the screen, just with what they were doing, I felt the guys were going to kind of soft belt Keenan and the it was safe to get to his hands and then see what happens. It's kind of a little bit of a dressed up running play, and Von [Miller], he sniffed it out again. He felt it again and made a good play and then I didn't want to fool with it after the result that happened earlier in the game. Obviously, reaction there, I would love to pull that thing back and let it run, but I didn't."

**On the decision to not take a sack on third down of the last Chargers offensive series:**

"Well, I knew that when we were going out on the field, [that I should] take the sack [in that situation]. If you don't like anything, take the sack and run the time off. When you're in a screen, it's one of those 'catch it and throw it' [plays]. I'm not looking for any excuses, I need to pull the ball back [in] and take the sack, or find a way to complete [the pass]. We shouldn't have been in that situation. It should've been about 33-7 at that point. It would've been had we not thrown the other interception. But, we didn't. So, they found a way to win. We move on at 7-3 and [will] find a way to get ready for the [Arizona] Cardinals."

**On the interception thrown to Broncos OLB Von Miller:**

"He felt it. He felt the screen. If I would have found a way to make a better throw and get it around there [to RB Melvin Gordon III] somehow, it's probably a touchdown. [Denver] had a pressure [defensive play] called - [DE Von Miller] was a part of the pressure that was coming. So, it was really the perfect call [against us]. He felt it and I was trying to find a way to get [the pass] around [Miller], and obviously didn't do that. He made a heck of a play. I think I've said that now, for however many years he's been in [the NFL] since 2011. Once you figure out the player he is - he's the guy that can change the entire game. He did that today, I thought. Not by his pass rush - but his smarts. Obviously his instincts, [as well as] ability. Not from sack-fumbles that we've seen [from Miller in the past]. Moreso, just the savviness and showing the type of football player that he is. I think that's what takes guys to new levels - when they're physically gifted as anyone, work at it, and are smart. That takes someone to a whole new level."

**On any takeaways from the loss that will help refocus the team moving forward:**

"I think it's just a chance to reset. I guess refocus can be said. But when you say refocus, that means you lost focus. But then, you can say that maybe [we] lose focus [today] with the penalties, the turnovers, the [miscommunications], and to not throw the ball away and manage the clock. But at the same time, I thought we had a great week of practice. So, I don't think there was any falloff from our approach to the game, yet we had those mistakes. It can be reminder that can help us, hopefully, without any awful consequences on the backend [of the season]. We need to get ready for an Arizona team coming here in a hurry and see if we can back on the right track."

**On the game plan against Denver:**

"Well, we wanted to have a nice balance. I mean, there was [thought] that we had up [what we needed] to [win]. [Denver] played the run well a few times early in the game. But, they were able to still get back in a rhythm and have success running the ball. But then, we got behind the sticks a few times with getting [those] penalties. I thought we had a good plan. When you look at third downs and yards [gained], you can [say] 'Man, the Chargers offense had a heck of a day.' But, we didn't finish with touchdowns and we turned it over twice. We also botched the game there at the end with having a chance there to finish it [off]. That's why the stat sheet doesn't tell the whole story [of the game]."

**On TE Antonio Gates:**

"He had a heck of a day. Heck of a day. I can't say that I saw it coming in the sense that he was going to be targeted that much. But at the same time, we know that getting him back [this season], he's in this for the long haul. So, when we get in the game like this where [Denver] is doing some things to our receivers and you have him singled up [on man-to-man coverage], then he's doing to get some opportunities. He did a heck of a job. Obviously, three huge third down [conversions] come to mind. Obviously, the touchdown catch. He did a nice job and it was good to have him be such a [big] part of it again. I know it was important for him. But again, it's not fun when it ends like this. It just puts a damper on all of those things."

**LOS ANGELES CHARGERS SAFETY JAHLEEL ADDAE****On the loss of LB Denzel Perryman:**

"Denzel is a vital part [of our defense]. Everybody knows that, but we have guys that can play just as well. We have to come together as a unit and continue to work. The season is never going to be perfect or injury-free."

**On what can be taken from this game:**

"Anything can happen on any given Sunday. We always come out and fight. We can't take any opponent lightly — which I don't think we did — but in the league, more games are lost than won."

**On the number of penalties:**

"It was just one of those days. I don't have a complete answer for you. We try our hardest to be penalty free and today wasn't that."

**LOS ANGELES CHARGERS WIDE RECEIVER KEENAN ALLEN****On what contributed to the team's loss against Denver:**

"Penalties. Turnovers. Not making plays at the end of the game."

**On any takeaways from the loss:**

"Penalties. Being smart. I think we had fourteen of them."

**On the team being on the losing side of close game:**

"It's tough. Once again, we shouldn't even be in the situation that we were in. Going back to all six [prior wins] before this one, we should never have been in that position [of those games being close]. We just [need] to figure it out."

**LOS ANGELES CHARGERS RUNNING BACK MELVIN GORDON III****On the penalties:**

"We just played sloppy football today and eventually like coach said, 'You play sloppy football, it's going to catch up to you.' Today, it did."

**On passing more than running the ball:**

"We were killing them in the passing game, so that's kind of what we went with today."

**On needing to bring it every game:**

"We can't make mistakes. This is the NFL. This comes down to who executes the best. Every team is good and on any given Sunday, any team can lose regardless of streaks."

**On the winning streak being snapped:**

"You know, you should've won the game. You had chances to put the game away and you come up short by making mistakes, penalties and kicking yourself in the foot. That makes it hurt a little bit more."

**On moving forward:**

We just have to keep working. We can't go into a hole. We have to find a way to jump back on board. We still have everything we want ahead of us. We can go get it. We still can reach our goals. Obviously, the year is not over. We just made some mistakes that hurt us, but we're going to bounce back. It's what we do."

**LOS ANGELES CHARGERS SAFETY DERWIN JAMES****On the two takeaways that were called back:**

"It is part of the game. There were a lot of penalties. I think we had 14 penalties."

**On the penalties:**

"I haven't seen all of them, so I don't know. I had one today also so I can't sit around and point fingers at anybody. It was an overall team loss."

**On Broncos QB Case Keenum:**

"He made some big throws, especially the pass up the seam. He zipped it in there."

**On the last drive of the game:**

"They only needed 50 yards to get a field goal. The playbook gets different when you are chasing a field goal, but we have to get off the field."

**On DE Joey Bosa:**

"It's his first game back. He hasn't played football in 12 to 14 weeks. You have to give him time. Joey is going to be Joey. "

## **LOS ANGELES CHARGERS LINEBACKER UCHENNA NWOSU**

### **On the loss:**

"We beat ourselves. A lot of turnovers, penalties — we have to come back from our mistakes. Nobody can beat us but us, and that's our attitude."

### **On the penalties:**

"We have to stay focused the next time. Stay locked in all four quarters, don't get distracted by the gnats — we preach that all week. We weren't able to accomplish that today."

### **On C Mike Pouncey saying the performance was uncharacteristic of the team:**

"Definitely agree. We've been spot on. We were on a six-game winning streak, and for us today it was uncharacteristic. We had too many penalties — it wasn't like us."

## **DENVER BRONCOS HEAD COACH VANCE JOSEPH**

### **Opening Statement:**

"We've got two end-game injuries where guys did not return. [WR] DaeSean Hamilton with the same knee, just re-aggravated it, but it's not as bad as it was the first time. [CB] Bradley Roby is being evaluated for a concussion."

### **On getting over the hump:**

"We'll see. It's one game. Our motto after the bye was, 'One day at a time, and win every day,' so we'll see what happens. We'll see about that. We're going to go back to work on Monday and fix our problems. With the good things, we're going to build on the good things, and hopefully have a chance to win next week. We're a small focus group."

### **On QB Case Keenum's performance:**

"Very impressed with Case. Case has played his best ball for us in the biggest moments. When the game is tight, he's made his most plays. That's been his M.O. from college to pros. He is a gamer. Obviously, our offensive line, we've lost three of our interior starters and have two new starters inside — [RG] Billy [Turner] and [G/T Elijah] Eli [Wilkinson] — and we didn't give up one sack with two Pro Bowl rushers. That speaks to the coaching and the guys in that room, and that room has been good all year for us."

### **On OLB Von Miller's interception and other plays that changed the tide of the game:**

"That was huge. I can name a couple plays. The fake punt was huge. Obviously, the pick with Von, they're going to go get three again. The pick was huge with Von. Defensively, we didn't have our best day on third downs, but I think we had three sacks and two interceptions so that helped us play better on defense. The third downs were not good enough."

### **On the two-point conversion attempt:**

"We kind of thought that we scored, but [from] the view upstairs we couldn't tell. Obviously, you want to challenge that, but my concern is obviously don't miss the call. I don't want to challenge it — get the call right. How about that? Don't always put it on us. Get the call right. I didn't have a view to challenge it and it was called on the field that he didn't get in. If you don't have a view upstairs, how can you challenge it with no view? It's going to be inconclusive and it's going to go back to the field call. If it was good, get it right like we have to. How about that?"

### **On Keenum's struggles early in the game:**

"That defense has only given up 13 points a game in the last five weeks, so we knew it was going to be a struggle with that defense. I think early on we had some good plays called. We had a couple drops. We missed a couple receivers open. We came off the ball with some [play formation] naked [boots] and some boots and moving stuff for Case. It wasn't successful, but we stuck with it obviously. The first interception helped us. The fake punt helped us get a touchdown and then obviously, Von's [Miller] pick. It's team football."

### **On if he saw something with field position to decide to go for the fake punt:**

"The fake punt, we had it all week. Obviously, that's a game-plan deal we do each week. We try to have a fake up each week, obviously if it's there. We've had them up each week and it was the perfect time to call it. The perfect yard line, the perfect [down and distance]."

### **On RB Phillip Lindsay:**

"He's growing before our eyes. He's an NFL first, second, third down back. It's amazing with his size, what he can do on all three downs — catching the ball, protecting, running through, running in the A, B and C-gap. He's a good-look football player and obviously it's Week 11 and he's still doing it."

### **On the poise WR Emmanuel Sanders and WR Courtland Sutton had on the last drive:**

"Making plays, man. Our guys made plays to win. We've been in, obviously, four or five of these types of games and didn't make plays to win. Today, we didn't hope to win. We made plays to win. That's the difference."

### **On if he takes comfort in how the team played to finish the game:**

"Absolutely. We've played a very hot team in this league. We played the Rams and they were four or five in a row. We played the Chiefs. They were six in a row. Houston was six in a row. This team was six in a row. Our team will play every week. We have to continue to improve in all areas. We do that. We're tough. Again, it's a small focus group. We'll go back to work on Monday and see what happens next Sunday."

### **On the postgame locker room atmosphere:**

"It's fun. It's fun to win, but the guys get it. We've dropped some close games before so we're not satisfied. They're small focus. We expect to win, guys, so I don't think guys in the locker room are really surprised. That's a good feeling."

**On the offense coming alive in the last drive:**

"It's amazing. Sometimes when you go fast and the defense is playing four-man rush single-high, you can make some plays. Sometimes going fast sparks you. It relaxes players. The looks are cleaner and easier for the quarterback. Red [zone] ball and going fast helps our quarterback. It's a clearer picture."

**On who he gave the game ball to:**

"The offensive line, just for losing three interior starters and how they'd been coached. That room has been so resilient for us. Obviously, B-Mac [K Brandon McManus]. He missed one last week and he came back and made one this week. We're proud of B-Mac. He's our guy."

**DENVER BRONCOS QUARTERBACK CASE KEENUM****On how impressed he was with the win today:**

"It was awesome. It was incredible to have those guys in there as guard, some playing there for their first time this year and finding out on Friday that they were going to do that. It was incredible. Also, to not hit the ground today, no sacks, that's big-time and that's guys doing their job. You have to give them all the credit in the world. That was a great pocket towards the end of the game and really all game."

**On how it felt to win a close game:**

"Yeah, we've won a few of them this year. I think we've had three or four close ones that have come down to it and [K] Brandon McManus has made those kicks and we trust him. It feels good, it does, a lot better than the alternative."

**On looking like a different offense down the stretch and clicking at the end of the game:**

"Yeah you know something clicked, we had to. We had no choice. [Head] Coach Vance [Joseph] this week and the guys talked about whatever it takes, it doesn't matter what's happened, what's going to happen. Our goal this week was 1-0. We were going to do whatever it takes to get to that goal and it took all 60 minutes today, but it was worth it."

**On OLB Von Miller's interception:**

"I didn't see him pick it off, but I saw him running and I saw a guy chasing him down, so I was yelling at him to tuck it away. I was yelling at him to score and then yelling at him to tuck it away when I saw the guy coming. That was a huge play. Incredible play. That play set up a scoring drive. The call by Vance on the fake punt set up a scoring drive and you know it's good complimentary football. We didn't do a ton of things right today, but we did enough of the things that mattered to win the game."

**On feeling comfortable during the spike:**

"Yeah, we've talked through that situation. We knew at that point how much time you need when you snap the ball to get down the field, to complete a ball and then get down and spike it so we had just enough time. Those are special situations that we get coached up on constantly each week and I thought it was a great operation amongst everybody."

**On beating Los Angeles:**

"The Chargers are a great team, great defense. Obviously, [Chargers QB] Philip Rivers is lighting it up out there so to be able to come in here on the road and win, it's big. I thought it was cool, just like in Arizona. Broncos fans traveled again and it's awesome to see. We really appreciate that everyone came and supported us here."

**On the upcoming schedule:**

"That's why we go 1-0. Obviously, this feels good and we are going to enjoy it, but no matter what happens out there you have a 24-hour rule because there's another great team coming in this next week and we've got our work cut out for us again. We just come in and go work and do what we do and enjoy work and enjoy playing football. We are going to take it one week at a time and see where we are at, at the end of this thing."

**On RB Phillip Lindsay:**

"Philip did great at just picking up where he left off. I think he's an explosive guy and you just try to find ways to get him the football with some space and even sometimes with not a lot of space. He makes things happen. It's fun to watch him run the ball."

**On watching the winning kick go in from the sideline:**

"It's pretty indescribable. I tell people that's a high you can't buy, and it feels good. I blame myself actually because my quarterback coach and I stood next to each other in our previous field goal win, I think it was the Raiders. We didn't last week. We were right next to each other today, close as we could possibly get without making our wives jealous, but we both kind of lost it there. It was blast!"

## **DENVER BRONCOS CORNERBACK CHRIS HARRIS JR.**

### **On getting the win:**

"It's a dog fight every time we see these boys. Division game, we knew that we couldn't afford to let another one slide. We just wanted to come out here and win. This team deserves a win. Guys put so much work, fighting every week, just ignoring the noise and staying together. We deserve to win the game."

### **On winning a close game:**

"Man, that is a dog fight. They tried to give it back to them, man. There were a lot of questionable calls. They tried to give it back to them, but we were able to still overcome it and still get the win."

### **On the Broncos defensive stand:**

"We knew it. I tried to tell the boys after that first touchdown, keep your eyes focused, stay focused, and we know the game is still not over. We can still get a stop and still be able to win the game."

### **On the K Brandon McManus redeeming himself from the game against the Texans:**

"We all trust B-Mac and we all believe in him. We went to the Super Bowl with him. His kicking is amazing. He misses one every once in awhile. It is what it is, but we have 100 percent trust in B-Mac. We're always going to ride with him."

## **DENVER BRONCOS RUNNING BACK PHILLIP LINDSAY**

### **On the offensive line's performance:**

"I am proud of the offensive line, especially the interior. We had some major pieces go down within the offensive line and they stepped up. They were physical and they got on top of the linebackers and the defensive linemen, so I had lanes. I am proud of them."

### **On the Chargers defense:**

"They were physical. We knew that going in that they were physical and athletic, but for us, we just went out there and knew we needed to be physical, too. We knew that we were going to have run the ball in order for us to win this game."

### **On OLB Von Miller's sack:**

"That was a huge momentum swing. Congratulations to the success that Von has had, I think it was his 100th sack. It was a big momentum swing for us. It got us going. With someone like that to see in a person is amazing."

### **On K Brandon McManus getting a second chance:**

"First of all, we have been by Brandon's side no matter what and that is just a kicker's life. He deserves it. He has been working hard in practice. He has been going at it, but he has had the same mindset. You wouldn't think it would have bothered him just because at how cool, calm and collected he is. I am very proud of Brandon for that."

### **On having confidence in the game today:**

"Just being together, sticking together and sticking to the game plan. In our heads, we have to go one play at a time, one snap at a time and, like you said, our defense played their asses off. Our offensive line gave up no sacks and they had two great defensive ends. That's big."

### **On the second touchdown:**

"It was a design run. Honestly it wasn't supposed to go backside, but things happen and we were able to make a play."

### **On his biggest keys to success:**

"Just sticking together. The offensive line is jelling. I am helping the offensive line, my center with the blocks and having my main man [RB] Royce [Freeman] back with me. We are a real close rookie group. We really love each other and we care for each other. People see that as strange in the NFL because it's more of a business, but for us, we're young so we hold each other accountable. We have each other's backs."

### **On WR Courtland Sutton:**

"Courtland is stepping up. He is doing what he is supposed to do. It's beautiful to see though. He deserves it. He works hard. Our rookie class works hard and it's from the veterans. We're looking at the vets working hard which is pushing us to work hard."



## **DENVER BRONCOS KICKER BRANDON McMANUS**

### **On the game-winning kick:**

"Last week we said, 'How bad do you want to get out there to make another kick?' Offense made it a lot easier then to possibly kick the long one. They made it super easy for me again, like the Oakland game making the kick so much easier. Testament to this team to battle back the whole game, they did a great job. I appreciate them helping me out."

### **On the choice to punt verse long field goal at the end of the game:**

"There's no way the first one you could kick with four minutes left we hit all three time outs. We hoped to pin them deep and create them to punt. Obviously, they got a little further down the field then we would've liked. We still made them punt and the offense did a great job. It was a tough call on Tim Patrick to take that catch back, but to bounce back from a play like that shows how this team was resilient tonight."

### **On not warming up on the net after the timeout was called:**

"They called the time out much later so I was able to get a practice kick. I don't need to run over and get another kick. Last week, Houston [Texans] called it on my first step back so it was impossible for me to kick the ball."

## **DENVER BRONCOS OUTSIDE LINEBACKER VON MILLER**

### **On the interception:**

"The coverage I had the back to the flat. The back didn't go to the flat, so I just fell off and I knew there were three receivers outside of me so I kind of just like stayed there for the screen and he threw it to me."

### **On the key to success against Chargers QB Philip Rivers:**

"You have to play tight coverage and get after him. They have a good offensive line and he throws the ball lightning fast, so he makes it tough it to get there. You just have to keep pushing it and you'll get your opportunities."

### **On the interception changing momentum:**

"I was just trying to win. That's our motto: Somebody make a play. It doesn't matter who it is. I read the right thing and he threw it straight to me. We've been in games like this all year long. There was one game where we weren't in it, the Jets game. We just got totally killed in that game, but all the other games we were in it. We had opportunities to win, we just fell short. This week, it had the same type of feeling as all the other games. We were able to make a play or two to come out with the win. I've said it for a long time we have a great team. Some games we fall short but today we're on point and it feels good."

### **On if he thought the interception was going to be a touchdown:**

"I thought I was going to the house. I took five or six long steps and I ran. Then I felt his hand on me. He was on me, he knocked the ball but I was able to keep the ball as I'm going down."

### **On the offense getting the ball on the last drive:**

"I thought we were going to score. I had faith in [QB] Case [Keenum], the offensive line, [WR] Courtland [Sutton], [WR] Emmanuel [Sanders] and all the guys that we had out there. They were able to make some plays, get down there and win the game."

### **On Broncos K Brandon McManus' game winning kick:**

"So many games that we played in were similar to the previous ones. That feeling was very similar to the Texans game. I felt like it was going in during the Texans game and today I felt like it was going in. He's our sniper and he was able to make it happen for us."

### **On if one game can turn the season around:**

"Yes. Everybody watches movies don't they? I feel like where we are right now, we're at a good spot. We have to win. Let's not get too ahead of ourselves. We're 4-6. We still have a long way to go. It's great to chip away at it. We got a win today. We just have to keep it going."

### **On the defense:**

"I take enjoyment in just beating the Chargers. We were able to win today. We played great defense. It wasn't just one guy. [CB] Chris Harris [Jr.] had one heck of a game day to set up the score for us. [OLB] Bradley Chubb played out of his mind. He's a potential defensive rookie of the year in my opinion. He was going against [S] Derwin James, his competition, and we were able to win it. Chubb shined out today. Defensive line played solid, the secondary [too]. We left some big passes open but for the most part solid. We had some opportunities for picks. [S] Will [Parks] dropped a tip pass in the end zone, so we had our opportunities. It feels good to beat a great Chargers team."

**On RB Phillip Lindsay:**

"He's great. He's fast. He opened up [the game] today for us. That's a typical Phillip Lindsay. I wasn't surprised about his performance today."

**DENVER BRONCOS PUNTER COLBY WADMAN****On practicing the fake punt:**

"Every single time we ran it we were completing it. Going into it I was super confident. [Head] Coach [Vance Joseph] was really confident about it. We felt really good about it."

**On the adrenaline he felt when the play was called:**

"Honestly, I didn't have any adrenaline because I knew it was such a short pass. I knew I was just going to catch, roll out and just dump it to [FB] Andy [Janovich]. There was really no adrenaline at all because I knew it was going to work. It had worked all week in practice so going in I was just pretty confident and prepared for it."

**On how it feels to have shifted the momentum of the game:**

"It felt great, obviously, because right after that we got our first touchdown and definitely changed the momentum. It just felt great to just make a play for my team and help them out. Andy [Janovich] made a great play catching it and making sure we got the first down."