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LOS ANGELES CHARGERS HEAD COACH ANTHONY LYNN

Opening Statement:

"Well, it's pretty much what I said last night. I didn't need to watch the tape to understand why we lost that game. We didn't execute well enough, there were too many penalties, and definitely down the stretch we didn't execute when we needed to in that four-minute drive. It's one of these games where I feel like we can learn from it, make corrections and bounce back. We have no choice. We have to. I just wish that I could have done a better job of getting this team ready to play last week because it's definitely a game that I feel like we could have won and should have won, but I give the Broncos a lot of credit. They showed up, they played hard, they executed and made the plays down the stretch when they needed to. They won the game."

On the early false start penalties:

"I think, when you're going up against those pass rushers that they have on the edge, it can make you a little jumpy when you're a tackle because those guys do a heck of a job of getting a jump on the ball. If they get a jump on the ball, it's pretty much a wrap. I think that bothered us a little earlier in the game."

On playing T Joe Barksdale more in the second half:

"[We played him because it's a] familiar face, yeah. Joe has been going up against [Broncos OLB] Von [Miller] for a long time. That's not to say that [T] Sam [Tevi] couldn't because Sam held his own when he was in there, but we wanted to mix those guys a little bit — and we wanted to get Joe going a little bit more. His reps have increased every single week."

On if Barksdale can take back the starting role at right tackle:

"It's very possible."

On DE Joey Bosa:

"I thought, for his first game back and not playing football for 13 or 14 weeks, that he looked good. I thought he showed good speed and explosion coming off the edge. He came out of the game healthy and that was goal."

On if Bosa is feeling good today:

"He may be a little sore today, but he's fine."

On Bosa playing 31 snaps on defense:

"We probably [had his snap count] at around 20, but you know how coaches are when you get him in the game and you're trying to win. We had to be careful with him. We didn't want to throw him out there and just say, 'Go!' Like I said, he hadn't played in a while and we didn't want him to hurt something else. We want to work him back in slowly. He'll get more reps this week in practice and he'll get more in the game."

On the two fake punts in the past two games:

"They were two different breakdowns. We have to do a better job of having awareness in that situation, No. 1, that could happen. When you're playing a team that's 3-6, that can happen. That was disappointing that it happened two weeks in a row. We have to do a better job in that area. Like I said, that starts with the coaches."

On replacing DT Corey Liuget in the run defense:

"Corey's role was [DT Darius] Philon's, so Philon will play more and the rookie, [DT Justin] Jones will play more as well."

On the linebackers:

"Right now, it's going to stay as is. I thought those guys stepped up and did a good job. [LB] Uchenna [Nwosu] did a good job playing on the edge, setting the edge, and getting after the passer a little bit. [LB] Kyle [Emanuel] got better as the game went on. I don't see that changing."

On S Jahleel Addae:

"Jahleel is getting better as a free safety. It's not his position, it's really strong safety, but we're asking him to play in the middle of the field. I have to tell you, he's getting better. Yesterday, there were some plays that he wishes he had back. He's been progressing well at that spot."

On viewing Addae's mistakes as blips on the radar:

"I do, yeah. Like I said, he's getting better every single week back there. He took a little step back yesterday, but I know Jahleel. He will bounce back."

On speaking to QB Philip Rivers in the game:

"I don't even remember the conversation. I'm not sure. Players come off the field sometimes and they're upset at themselves or upset at whatever. I'm just making sure that everyone keeps their composure on the sideline and that we all communicate. That happens so many times that I can't tell you what time that was. It happens a lot."

On if he wants players to control their emotions:

"You know what, I think that passion and energy is what makes Philip, Philip, to be honest with you. Yeah, you have to contain that, but you don't want to take it away. I think he feeds off of that and his teammates feed off of that. I'm fine with that."

On if Liuget will be placed on injured reserve:

"We haven't talked that through yet, but that's a possibility."

On if the team would look for another defensive lineman in the event Liuget is placed on injured reserve:

"Yes."

On WR Travis Benjamin as a punt returner:

"There are some situations where you like Travis back there because of his speed. I think last year, Travis had a pretty good game against this group with his touchdown. [CB] Desmond [King II] was playing a lot of football for us. At one point, he's playing 65 percent of the snaps on defense, he's the kick returner and the punt returner — we're trying to give him a little bit of a break, too."

On if the game was a wake-up call:

"It was definitely a wake-up call. I don't need to lose [to have] a wake-up call, but it was definitely a wake-up call for us. You go out and you don't play your best football, you get your butt kicked in this league any given Sunday."

On if there is any thought of keeping the defense on the field during punt situations to prevent fakes:

"Well, there are some things that we're going to do differently with that. Yes, we left the defense out there some yesterday. We played punt-safe more yesterday and the one time we didn't, we got faked on. There are some things that we'll do differently there."