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## TITANS-STEELERS SUPPLEMENTAL NOTES

**VRABEL TIES FOR FASTEST TO 25 WINS WITH FRANCHISE:** With last week's overtime win against the Houston Texans, Titans head coach **Mike Vrabel** recorded his 25th win with the franchise, including playoffs.

Vrabel tied Jack Pardee as the fastest head coach in franchise history to 25 wins, reaching the number in only his 40th game since being hired in 2018.

The Titans went 9-7 in Vrabel's first two regular seasons, followed by a 2-1 record in the 2019 postseason. They are 5-0 to begin 2020.

#### Most wins in a head coach's first 40 games with the Titans/Oilers (regular season and playoffs):

| Hea | ad Coach        | Seasons         | Wins | Losses | Ties | Win Pct |  |
|-----|-----------------|-----------------|------|--------|------|---------|--|
| 1.  | Mike Vrabel     | 2018-2020       | 25   | 15     | 0    | .625    |  |
|     | Jack Pardee     | 1990-1992       | 25   | 15     | 0    | .625    |  |
| 3.  | Wally Lemm      | 1961, 1966-1968 | 22   | 17     | 1    | .564 *  |  |
| 4.  | Bum Phillips    | 1975–1977       | 21   | 19     | 0    | .525    |  |
| 5.  | Mike Munchak    | 2011-2013       | 19   | 21     | 0    | .475    |  |
|     | Mike Mularkey   | 2015-2017       | 19   | 21     | 0    | .475    |  |
| 7.  | Jerry Glanville | 1985-1988       | 18   | 22     | 0    | .450    |  |
| 8.  | Jeff Fisher     | 1994–1997       | 17   | 23     | 0    | .425    |  |

<sup>\*</sup> Prior to 1972, ties were not included in computing team winning percentage.

Note: Includes games as interim head coach.

**TANNEHILL SCHEDULED TO MAKE 16TH START WITH TITANS:** This week against the Steelers, quarterback **Ryan Tannehill** is expected to make his 16th regular season start for the Titans, the equivalent of a full season. He has started every contest since being inserted into the lineup in Week 7 of the 2019 campaign.

Since his first start, which took place Oct. 20, 2019 against the Los Angeles Chargers, Tannehill has completed 309 of 443 passes for 3,968 yards, 35 touchdowns and seven interceptions. He leads the NFL in that time period with a 117.3 passer rating.

### Highest passer rating since Ryan Tannehill became the Titans starter in Week 7 of 2019 (minimum 210 attempts):

| Pla | yer              | Team                | Games | Starts | Pass Att | Cmp | Cmp Pct | Yards | TD | Int | Rating |
|-----|------------------|---------------------|-------|--------|----------|-----|---------|-------|----|-----|--------|
| 1.  | Ryan Tannehill   | Tennessee Titans    | 15    | 15     | 443      | 309 | 69.8    | 3,968 | 35 | 7   | 117.3  |
| 2.  | Lamar Jackson    | Baltimore Ravens    | 15    | 15     | 368      | 240 | 65.2    | 2,755 | 35 | 3   | 115.9  |
| 3.  | Drew Brees       | New Orleans Saints  | 14    | 14     | 506      | 371 | 73.3    | 3,902 | 34 | 5   | 113.6  |
| 4.  | Russell Wilson   | Seattle Seahawks    | 15    | 15     | 496      | 327 | 65.9    | 3,908 | 36 | 8   | 107.3  |
| 5.  | Derek Carr       | Las Vegas Raiders   | 16    | 16     | 527      | 371 | 70.4    | 4,379 | 26 | 6   | 107.1  |
| 6.  | Patrick Mahomes  | Kansas City Chiefs  | 14    | 14     | 473      | 316 | 66.8    | 3,626 | 27 | 5   | 104.3  |
| 7.  | Jimmy Garoppolo  | San Francisco 49ers | 15    | 15     | 429      | 290 | 67.6    | 3,550 | 27 | 10  | 104.2  |
| 8.  | Matthew Stafford | Detroit Lions       | 8     | 8      | 286      | 183 | 64.0    | 2,352 | 19 | 7   | 101.6  |
| 9.  | Aaron Rodgers    | Green Bay Packers   | 15    | 15     | 524      | 330 | 63.0    | 3,786 | 31 | 4   | 101.2  |
| 10. | Kirk Cousins     | Minnesota Vikings   | 15    | 15     | 464      | 312 | 67.2    | 3,704 | 28 | 13  | 99.8   |

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At his current pace, Tannehill would set a new benchmark for the NFL's highest passer rating in a player's first 16 starts with a new team. Excluding games in which a player did not start, no prior player over his first 16 starts with a new club eclipses Tannehill in passer rating.

Kansas City Chiefs quarterback Patrick Mahomes achieved an NFL-best 111.8 passer rating in his first 16 starts after being drafted by the club in 2017.

Highest passer rating in a player's first 16 starts with a team, NFL history:

| Qua | arterback       | Team               | <b>How Acquired</b> | Season(s) | Passer Rating |            |
|-----|-----------------|--------------------|---------------------|-----------|---------------|------------|
| 1.  | Patrick Mahomes | Kansas City Chiefs | Draft               | 2017-2018 | 111.8         |            |
| 2.  | Kurt Warner     | St. Louis Rams     | Free Agent          | 1999      | 109.2         |            |
| 3.  | Chad Pennington | New York Jets      | Draft               | 2002-2003 | 108.9         |            |
| 4.  | Dan Marino      | Miami Dolphins     | Draft               | 1983-1984 | 108.4         |            |
| 5.  | Brett Favre     | Minnesota Vikings  | Free Agent          | 2009      | 107.2         |            |
| Rya | an Tannehill    | Tennessee Titans   | Trade               | 2019-2020 | 117.3         | (15 games) |

Note: Does not include statistics compiled in non-starts.

**FOUR RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS OF 74-PLUS YARDS:** Titans running back **Derrick Henry** was named both AFC Offensive Player of the Week and the FedEx Ground Player of the Week following last week's game against the Houston Texans. He rushed for 212 yards and two touchdowns and added 52 receiving yards to give him a career-high 264 scrimmage yards.

Included in his performance against Houston was a 94-yard touchdown run, the second-longest rushing attempt of his career behind his 99-yarder versus Jacksonville on Dec. 6, 2018, which tied **Tony Dorsett's** NFL record. Henry now owns two of the NFL's 15 longest touchdown runs since 1948.

Henry's four longest career rushing attempts also include a 75-yard touchdown against Houston on Dec. 3, 2017 and a 74-yard touchdown against Jacksonville on Nov. 24, 2019.

With four career rushing touchdowns of 74-plus yards, Henry's total is tied for the fourth most in NFL history, and he is the first player to have a rushing touchdown of at least 74 yards in four consecutive NFL seasons.

Most consecutive seasons in NFL history with a touchdown run of 74+ yards:

|     |                  |           | Consecutive |  |
|-----|------------------|-----------|-------------|--|
| Pla | yer              | Years     | Seasons     |  |
| 1.  | Derrick Henry    | 2017-2020 | 4           |  |
| 2.  | Napoleon Kaufman | 1997-1999 | 3           |  |
| 3.  | (several tied)   |           | 2           |  |
|     |                  |           |             |  |

Most career rushing touchdowns of 74+ yards:

| Pla | yer             | Rushing TDs of 74+ Yards |  |
|-----|-----------------|--------------------------|--|
| 1.  | Chris Johnson   | 7                        |  |
| 2.  | Adrian Peterson | 6                        |  |
| 3.  | O.J. Simpson    | 5                        |  |
| 4.  | Derrick Henry   | 4                        |  |
|     | Jamaal Charles  | 4                        |  |
|     | Tony Dorsett    | 4                        |  |
|     | Barry Sanders   | 4                        |  |

**TITANS THRIVING WITH OFFENSE, TURNOVER MARGIN:** Two significant factors to the Titans' 5-0 start this season have been their production on offense and their ability to win the turnover battle.

Heading into the weekend, their plus-six turnover differential is tied for first place in the NFL with the Seattle Seahawks and Baltimore Ravens, and their average of 423.2 total net yards per game ranks second behind only the Dallas Cowboys' average of 464.0 yards.

In the NFL's "Super Bowl era" (1966–present), the Titans are one of only six teams to record a plus-six turnover margin and an average of 420 offensive yards per game through the first five games of a season. The most recent team to do so prior to the Titans was the 2012 New England Patriots.

Teams with a plus-six turnover differential and an average offensive output of 420+ yards per game through a team's first five games, Super Bowl era (1966–2020):

| Team                 | Season | Differential | Yards | Wins | Losses |
|----------------------|--------|--------------|-------|------|--------|
| Tennessee Titans     | 2020   | +6           | 423.2 | 5    | 0      |
| New England Patriots | 2012   | +10          | 439.4 | 3    | 2      |
| Green Bay Packers    | 2011   | +7           | 428.6 | 5    | 0      |
| New Orleans Saints   | 2009   | +9           | 430.0 | 5    | 0      |
| New England Patriots | 2007   | +7           | 427.8 | 5    | 0      |
| Washington Redskins  | 1989   | +6           | 427.6 | 3    | 2      |
| _                    |        |              |       |      |        |

# BROWN TOPS AMONG RECEIVERS IN TOUCHDOWNS OVER NFL'S LAST 12 WEEKS: A.J. Brown has emerged as one of the NFL's top scoring threats at the wide receiver position.

The second-year playmaker registered his first touchdown catch of the season against the Buffalo Bills on Oct. 13. Five days later he caught two touchdown passes against the Houston Texans, including a grab with four seconds remaining in regulation that allowed the Titans to force overtime on the subsequent extra point.

During the last 12 weeks of regular season NFL games, comprised of the final six weeks of the NFL's 2019 regular season and the first six weeks of the 2020 campaign, Brown has more total touchdowns—nine—than any other wide receiver in the league. His eight touchdown receptions leads all wide receivers, plus he has an additional rushing touchdown in that span.

Brown has moved to the top of the list despite having played in only nine of the 12 possible weeks. He missed Weeks 2 and 3 this season with a knee injury, and the Titans had a bye in Week 4.

He is two touchdowns ahead of nine other wide receivers who are tied for second place with seven total touchdowns since Week 12 of 2019.

#### Wide receivers with the most total touchdowns since Week 12 of 2019:

| Wide Receiver Team(s) |                | Team(s)              | Rec TDs | Rush TDs | Total TDs |
|-----------------------|----------------|----------------------|---------|----------|-----------|
| 1.                    | A.J. Brown     | Tennessee Titans     | 8 *     | 1        | 9         |
| 2.                    | Tyreek Hill    | Kansas City Chiefs   | 6       | 1        | 7         |
|                       | DK Metcalf     | Seattle Seahawks     | 7       | 0        | 7         |
|                       | Davante Adams  | Green Bay Packers    | 7       | 0        | 7         |
|                       | DeVante Parker | Miami Dolphins       | 7       | 0        | 7         |
|                       | Adam Thielen   | Minnesota Vikings    | 7       | 0        | 7         |
|                       | Cooper Kupp    | Los Angeles Rams     | 7       | 0        | 7         |
|                       | Mike Evans     | Tampa Bay Buccaneers | 7       | 0        | 7         |
|                       | Odell Beckham  | Cleveland Browns     | 6       | 1        | 7         |
|                       | Calvin Ridley  | Atlanta Falcons      | 7       | 0        | 7         |

<sup>\*</sup> Leads NFL