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# OKLAHOMA BASKETBALL

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## **HEAD COACH SHERRI COALE**

### **On her team's fourth quarter comeback:**

"I thought we showed a lot of grit with our back against the wall in a tough environment and in a very physical game. I thought our response was fantastic, especially for a game this early in the year. It's how you respond when things don't go your way and I thought our guys responded tonight with big plays when we needed them most."

### **On Maddie Manning:**

"I thought Maddie (Manning)'s performance was huge tonight. She played with a scorer's mentality. Our challenge is to get her to play that every night from the opening tip regardless of the score."

### **On the start of the game:**

"We came out and had a beautiful first quarter, but I think we got winded early from the altitude. So we began to sub and try to get that second wind and it broke our early rhythm. It was one of those things you needed to do it, but I wonder at the same time what if we could have left them go for a couple of more minutes. I thought it was good for us to be in that situation because BYU is a handful to guard."

### **On the performance of Ijeoma Odimbe and Vionise Pierre-Louis:**

"I thought Vivi (Vionise Pierre-Louis) getting rebounds and affecting shots was big for us defensively. She came up with big blocks at big moments in the game. EJ (Ijeoma Odimbe) went up and grabbed powerful rebounds and again, played in some very tense situations and important minutes. That young sophomore continues to improve by leaps and bounds."

### **On winning a tough road game early in the season:**

"BYU is a better team than what its score against Georgia indicated. They take great pride in playing on their home floor and their two guards (Cassie Broadhead and Mackenzi Pulsipher) are great competitors. I love playing this team because Jeff Judkins does a great job coaching this team and it was a very hard-fought game. I thought for us to withstand that in a hostile environment and to be able to answer shows signs of a growth for us."