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Opening Statement:

"I think it's a really nice win for our team. I'm proud of our team because I thought there was a point in the second where Wake Forest went on a run and we had foul trouble and some obstacles we had to overcome and we probably could have dropped our head a little bit and we didn't. Our guys kept competing, they played extremely hard. Obviously Cat was the difference

maker today and he did a tremendous job. I thought we got some big baskets from Maverick. We got some big baskets from Caleb in the first half. Malik had a few that I thought were timely. Great team win for us, probably not our best defensive game, but we stepped up and made some shots. We got defensive stops late in the game when we had to get them and that was probably the key for us winning the game."

On Cat's performance in the second half:

"At halftime, the only thing from my perspective, I thought we walked the ball up the floor just about every trip, and therefore we were playing against their set defense. I told Cat to just really attack and get it running and push it at them. He might have some opportunities to create some things before their defense got set up. I thought he was really good. The high-middle ball screens we used for him, he was just terrific there and he stepped up and made foul shots too. He was just a lot more aggressive and I thought it made a difference for him in the second half."