

# **POSTGAME NOTES**

Jan. 6, 2021 Crisler Center (Ann Arbor, Mich.) No. 10 Michigan 82, No. 16 Minnesota 57

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Tonight's 82-57 loss was the 153rd all-time game between Minnesota and Michigan (not counting vacated games), and the Wolverines lead the series, 92-61 (Michigan leads 56-20 in Ann Arbor). Tonight's game was the first of two meetings between the schools over the next 10 days. No. 16 Minnesota remained winless in three road games this season and fell to 10-3 overall and 3-3 in the Big Ten, while 10th-ranked Michigan remained undefeated at 10-0 overall and 5-0 in the B1G. Minnesota's all-time record now stands at 1,512-1,132 overall (not counting vacated games). Coach Pitino's eighth-year record at Minnesota is 137-111 and his nine-year career mark is 155-125. He is 2-11 all-time versus Michigan.

#### **STARTING FIVE**

Coach Pitino utilized a starting lineup of redshirt senior forward Brandon Johnson (eighth start at Minnesota, 99th career start), junior center Liam Robbins (13th start at Minnesota, 49th career start), redshirt junior guard Marcus Carr (13th start this season, 44th start at Minnesota, 71st career start), junior guard Gabe Kalscheur (13th start this season, 80th career start), and junior guard Both Gach (13th start at Minnesota, 52nd career start). Tonight's starting five is 6-2 this season.

#### **QUICK GAME RECAP**

Liam Robbins scored the first five points of the game, and Minnesota was within two points at 15-13 before Michigan stretched the lead to 30-18. But the Gophers cut into the advantage late in the half, as Marcus Carr hit two three-pointers and scored all of Minnesota's points during an 8-2 run to pull within 32-26 at the break. Carr led Minnesota with 10 first-half points, while Robbins had five, and Brandon Johnson led the Gophers with five rebounds.

Michigan opened the second half on an 8-0 run and never looked back, outscoring Minnesota 37-8 over the first 12 minutes to record its 10th straight win.

#### **CARR REACHES DOUBLE-FIGURES**

Marcus Carr, who entered the game ranked fourth in the Big Ten (16th nationally) with an average of 22.1 ppg, finished with 14 points as the lone Minnesota player to reach double-figures. Carr also had two assists, one rebound and a steal in a team-high 34 minutes. He was 5-of-16 shooting, including 2-of-7 from beyond the arc. Carr has scored in double-figures 37 times, including 15 straight and 22 of his past 23 games. He has six games this season with 20 or more points, and three of those were 30-point games.

## **MISCELLANEOUS NEWS AND NOTES**

Minnesota wore its Maroon uniforms for the second time this season (0-2) ... Liam Robbins scored the first five points of the game for Minnesota, but was held scoreless the rest of the game ... Kalscheur increased his career three-pointer total to 169, which is seventh-most at Minnesota ... Tre' Williams had seven points and three rebounds ... Brandon Johnson led the Gophers with six rebounds ... the Gophers made 7-of-28 (.250) three-pointers ... Minnesota had 25 points off the bench and was outscored 46-20 in the paint ... the Gophers remain on the road at fifth-ranked lowa on Sunday at 1:30 p.m. on BTN.