POSTGAME QUOTES

Kansas Jayhawks, 51 vs. Long Island Sharks, 6
(1-0, 0-0 Big 12) (0-2, 0-0 NEC)
Sept. 4, 2026
David Booth Kansas Memorial Stadium

Kansas Head Coach Lance Leipold

On KU's offensive performance...
"I think a lot of times, you're limited in what you can do with live play and then when things start happening, guys will miss a block or do some things. It took us a little bit to get our game speed underneath us, but we settled down, and then started taking control up front. I'm really pleased with how our defense played. I thought our receivers made some big time catches."

On the quarterback play...
I think they (Isaiah and Cole) both have done a nice job. Without Cam Pickett tonight, we lose a big threat there, and it was great to see Nik come up with some big catches, and Nahzae Cox made some catches. We got a chance to spread the ball around and get guys a feel for the game. I thought I didn't see exactly what Isaiah was for the day, but I thought it was extremely accurate. He handled everything well, was poised, all those things, and a good team win."

On the defense and front seven...
"Again, I think a lot of that starts on the outside. Leroy Harris and David Santiago are really playing good football for us right now. Alex Bray and Dak Brinkley are rotating with them, and they are very disruptive guys. And Garrett Martin made a really nice play late in the game. Blake Herold is very steady, and Marcus Calvin made some plays. So that depth is going to be needed. All those things being said, we've got plenty to work on, and there'll be plenty of things as we get ready for next week."