2009 NCAA WOMEN'S COLLEGE WORLD SERIES

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Championship Series Game 1 Quotes

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WASHINGTON HEAD COACH HEATHER TARR

Opening comment:

"Great game. I thought we came out offensively ready to go. That throw over second base that cleared the bases (in the third inning) obviously helped us out. I thought Danielle (Lawrie) threw very well and we're ready to go tomorrow."

On Florida's energy after falling behind:

"I mean, it's tough. If you're not used to doing that and it happens to you in that kind of a game, it's tough to bounce back. I'm sure all great teams have done that before. They obviously haven't had that many losses to deal with. It's just normal."

On her team's improvements offensively:

"Great players make great things happen. I think we have a good group of really talented athletes who are able to take a season and get better every pitch they see. I know that we're battle-tested and I think they understand that the season is there to test them. Meanwhile, you might not have the highest batting average ever in the country. What's important is that we peak at the right time and get the hits when we need them."

WASHINGTON JUNIOR PITCHER DANIELLE LAWRIE

On bouncing back from Sunday:

"I don't really look at how yesterday went. I'm just so proud of our team and how we responded yesterday. We just kind of grouped together. I'm not selfish and I don't look at how my performances are. I just look at how we are as a team and how we're treating each inning like it is so precious. I don't even think about those things. I'm just really proud."

On her performance today:

"Alicia (Blake) did a really great job. It shows you how lucky I am about having a catcher like her. I think I did a decent job at hitting my spots and the defense did a great job."

WASHINGTON SOPHOMORE SHORTSTOP JENN SALLING

On her two-run single that also allowed two more runs to score due to a throwing error on the play: 1 think it was a drop ball. I just wanted to put the ball in play and hopefully score to get our team up ahead a couple of runs. Like I said, I just wanted to put the ball in play. We'll take it."

On her struggles at the beginning of the season:

"I think my teammates have helped me immensely. It was tough at the beginning. They have helped me through everything with that struggle from the beginning. They picked me up when I felt down, picked me up when the confidence was down, picked me up when I didn't know if I was the one that could do the job at that time. I think my teammates have helped me a lot to get through that time."