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**San Diego State vs. No. 21 UNLV Postgame Quotes**  
**San Diego State 68, No. 21 UNLV 71**  
**Thomas and Mack Center | Las Vegas, Nev. | March 7, 2023**

## **San Diego State Head Coach Stacie Terry-Hutson**

### **Opening Statement:**

"Proud of our team. We battled tonight. It's a good UNLV team. You know, playing on their home floor. I thought our kids really battled until the end. A couple of calls go our way, I think it's a different outcome, but they have a really good team. I just am proud of our girls. Proud of our girls. They battled."

### **On her expectation for the WNIT:**

"You know, I feel good about it. I think we've put a good body of work together. Our nonconference was really strong. I think we're in the 90s, if not 80s in the NET, so I think that we have a good shot to get a bid there. Hoping that we can host a couple, but this is a really good basketball team, and they deserve a couple more games. So, they're confident. They work really hard, and they stayed together all season, so I'm hoping we can play a couple more."

### **On her thoughts about the third quarter:**

"The third quarter, I'm going back and forth whether or not I should have called a timeout. We just kind of let it get away from us. They went on that 6-0 run and I called that timeout. And, you know, we got good shots; I mean, we just didn't make them. It wasn't that we were panicking. They just didn't go down. We weren't able to really shut them down either. I mean, our goal is to hold them at 14 every quarter, and I think they got 17, so it wasn't so much our defense. We just couldn't execute on the offensive end. Then in the fourth quarter I thought they had a lot of poise. I mean, we were sending a lot in every timeout. We were trying to set up our offense and our defense, and the offense after that, and our girls did a really good job executing on the fly. Some of those calls I was calling in from the sideline, the three that Sophia hit was a call. She made the right read when they went underneath, and I was just calling that in. Proud of them being able to execute. 129671-1-1041 2023-03-08 03:41:00 GMT Page 2 of 3 But, I mean, anyone that's followed us all year, this is the best group I've ever had, and we play really hard. I knew they weren't going to give in no matter what the score was."

## **San Diego State Senior Guard Sophia Ramos**

### **On what was going through her mind in the last 26 seconds:**

"We had used all of our timeouts, so we knew it was kind of time to go. It was a couple possession game, and we knew twos were going to pull us closer, but threes were going to be a difference-maker. They went under a screen. I had hit a couple, and so I just stepped into a rhythm three. You know, that one felt good going off. It was just reading the defense. You know, it was deep, so I don't blame them for going under, but right time. I was ready for that one."

**On what changed in the third quarter:**

"We just weren't making shots. Just looking at it, we were 3 for 13 overall; 0 for 1 from three; 2 for 4 from the free-throw line. I mean, everything else you see, like, we were hitting everything. It was just that quarter, and it was a bad quarter because then they started hitting everything. So it was just, you know -- we wish we could go back and get some of those back, but you can't. I'm just so proud of the fight we had in that fourth quarter. Almost 30 points is insane."

**On the disappointment of the outcome and coming up short:**

"Yeah, this one stings, right? It was a three-point game. It ended up being a three-point game. The last couple were six, so I guess we were a little closer. But you don't win anything, right? We still lost. But I'm just so proud of us. You know, we dug ourselves into a nice little hole that third quarter, and like Abby said, we didn't fold. We responded to the adversity. We bought in. The veteran leadership really stepped up. Abby was huge for us coming off the bench again, and then Pepe, Sarah, and Alex, they were big for us as well. You can't ask for much more from everyone. Nobody played a perfect game, so, for sure be disappointed. This one stung. We really wanted it, but I'm very proud with everything we did."

## **San Diego State Senior Guard Abby Prohaska**

**On what was going through her mind in the last 26 seconds:**

"I think it was just a dog mentality when you get to a game like that, fourth quarter. You kind of just lose all sight of your surroundings, and you turn into a different beast. I think the five that were on the court, especially, knew what we needed to do. We had a really poor third quarter, and if that went a little bit differently this wouldn't have been the outcome. But you can't go back and change that, so I think we just kind of dug our heels into the ground and did everything that we could, and, unfortunately, it just came up short."

**On the disappointment of the outcome and coming up short:**

"Yeah, there's definitely a little bit of disappointment, but I think like what Soph said, like you can't be that pissed when you played so hard, and I know that everybody on this team, like, gave everything they had. Going back to that third quarter, if it was just different, again, it wouldn't have been the outcome that it was. But we fought, we stayed together. There were many times when we could have turned in on one-on-one basketball, but we always came back to each other and our game and our discipline. That's just an area we've been trying to grow in the entire season, so it was nice to see that we didn't fold. There was a lot of pressure, and we really relied on the older seniors and veterans that have been with us."

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