

## Opponent Postgame Quotes Duke vs. UNLV



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## **UNLV Head Coach Kathy Olivier**

## Opening Statement:

"I just want to say that we were excited to play here. I think it's very obvious that it's one of the top universities in the country, one of the top basketball schools in the country. We put up a fight in that first half. In the second half, Duke just picked it up a level and then we couldn't sustain that intensity that we had in the first half. [Duke] is a very good basketball team. Very well coached. Joanne [P. McCallie] does a great job. Her defense was tough for us especially in that second half."

## On the team's performance despite playing shorthanded with injuries:

"In the first half, I thought we put up a fight. Nikki [Wheatley] does a lot for us, clearly. I thought the other people stepped up. R.J. [Wade] has been stepping up and playing a major role in the post and then Jordyn Bell played the other post, that normally plays perimeter for us. And I actually thought we did a good job as far as the paint goes. We really put an emphasis on doing all we good to stop their good scorer, number 2 [Haley Gorecki]. I thought Bailey Thomas did an incredible job with her, especially in that second half.

I like what I'm seeing as far as these players getting to come in and play with some of our best players. I think it's great for them."