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(--ANCHOR LEAD--)

AS THE N-B-A MOURNS THE TRAGIC LOSS OF KOBE BRYANT, PLAYERS AND THOSE INVOLVED AROUND THE LEAGUE SHARE THEIR THOUGHTS AND MEMORIES.

HERE'S WHAT THE PHILADELPHIA 76ERS HAD TO SAY.

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S/ Elton Brand/ 76ers General Manager :40 (on the passing of Kobe Bryant)

"Kobe meant a lot to us all. It wasn't just what he accomplished, but how he accomplished it. His hard work, his tenacity, his passion, getting the most out of his talent. (With) his Philadelphia roots, we also lost someone who was special to us, special to this area, special to the league. We'll try to commemorate him tomorrow; hopefully show how much this area loved him and

continue to do so. It's a tough time for the area, a tough time for the organization and he will certainly be missed."

S/ Al Horford/ 76ers Center :54 (on his reaction to hearing the news)

"Disbelief. I didn't even think it was true. Coming to grips with that is something that's hard. It's hard to grasp. Right away, I was with my family at the time. My wife said to me, and putting things into perspective, she's like, imagine how his wife feels right now and the rest of his family. So that just really had us in a very tough place yesterday, just thinking about them. I'm praying for them."

S/ Tobias Harris/ 76ers Small Forward :41 (on what comes to mind when he thinks about Kobe Bryant)

"I think about the hours that he put into his craft, his work ethic. I think about a true role model, a true hero. He was my hero as a kid. Him getting up at six in the morning to go work out and being the first in the gym. Those things inspire me, as a player coming up. I really try to model my work ethic after a guy like Kobe. It's just sad news to hear."

S/ Brett Brown/ 76ers Head Coach :45 (on the magnitude of Bryant's passing)

"There are always moments, in all of our lives, that you're going to remember exactly where you were and exactly who told you and exactly the initial reaction that we all experience. I bet if we all answer the question 'how many of those were there or have there been in our lives' it's a tiny, tiny handful. That was one of them, for me. It's a tragic loss."

(--ANCHOR TAG--)

THE 76ERS DEFEATED THE LOS ANGELES LAKERS ON SATURDAY, IN A GAME THAT SAW LEBRON JAMES PASS BRYANT ON THE ALL-TIME SCORING LIST. PHILADELPHIA HOSTS GOLDEN STATE TUESDAY NIGHT AT 7:00PM EST.

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