Virginia Postgame Notes – NC State (9/22/23)

Virginia Team Notes

• The meeting between Virginia and NC State was the first since 2020. NC State has won five of the last six meetings against UVA, including three-straight at Scott Stadium.

• The night game at Scott Stadium was the first for UVA since playing Notre Dame in 2021.

• Dating back to last season, UVA has lost seven-straight games and is 0-4 for the first time since 1982, Hall of Fame coach George Welsh's first year with the program. UVA has lost four-straight games for the first time since 2020.

• Virginia converted its first two-point conversion since 2021 (at Miami) to tie the game with 36 seconds left in regulation.

• UVA finished with a season-high 113 yards rushing, the most in a game since North Carolina last season (186 yards).

• Brennan Armstrong's 48-yard touchdown pass by to Kevin Concepion is the second-longest play from scrimmage surrendered by UVA this season (64-yard TD pass at Maryland on 9/15).

• The three-point loss marks the seventh time UVA has been part of a game decided by a touchdown or less in the first 14 of Tony Elliott's tenure. UVA is 2-5 in one-score affairs since the beginning of the 2022 season.

Player Notes

• Wide receiver Malik Washington finished with a career-highs in receptions (10), receiving yards (170) and touchdowns (2). Washington is one of 12 receivers in UVA history to record 170 yards or more in a game.

• With 119 receiving yards vs. JMU, 141 at Maryland and 170 against NC State, Washington became the third Cavalier ever to record three-straight 100-yard receiving games in a season. Dontayvion Wicks did it in 2021 and Germane Crowell had three-straight 100-yard games in 1997. Washington did not have a 100-yard effort in his first 41 games of his collegiate career, including all 40 at Northwestern.

• Washington has now caught a pass in 29-straight games.

• Washington is the first Cavalier receiver with 10 receptions in a game since Keytaon Thompson and Dontayvion Wicks at Pitt in 2021.

• True freshman Kam Robinson led the Cavalier defense tackles with 11, including eight solo efforts. He had one QB hurry and combined on a tackle for loss.

• Micah Gaffney recorded his first career interception, picking off former teammate Brennan Armstrong in the second quarter It was the first Cavalier interception of the season. Gaffney finished with a career-high three tackles, including a tackle for loss.

• Despite playing just the first half, defensive end Kam Butler recorded a sack in his fourth-straight game. He finished with four tackles (three solo) before leaving with an injury.

• Quarterback Anthony Colandrea accounted for 314 yards of total offense, including a career-high 43 yards on the ground. He orchestrated the game-tying drive beginning at the 3:29 mark in the fourth quarter, 11 plays for 66 yards that ended with a three-yard scoring strike to Malik Washington. He went 5-for-6 with 50 yards passing and added 10 yards rushing yards on UVA's final drive.