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JOSH CENTOR: Good afternoon. And welcome to Mondays with Myles.

Dr. Brand, last week, we experienced an unthinkable tragedy on the campus of Virginia Tech. And I just wanted to give you this opportunity to weigh in on it.

DR. MYLES BRAND: It was horrific. It's incomparable. I can't think of another instance on a university campus as difficult as that. My heart goes out to the campus, to the young people, their families, all who knew them. It's so unpredictable.

We forget that we're dealing with young people who are vulnerable in many ways -- one is for their safety. I give Virginia Tech and the administration and others a great deal of credit of dealing with this very difficult situation in the best possible way. You can't put a good face on this. It was terrible for the campus and terrible for everyone involved and even for those of us who watched from a distance.

JOSH CENTOR: I've always felt that college campus should be the safest place that you can be. How does this threaten the mind frame of students across the country?

1 DR. MYLES BRAND: You know, a lot of
2 students believe it's a safe place, as parents do too.
3 But here's the truth of the matter -- the campus is only
4 as safe as the rest of the world around it. You can't
5 separate the safety of that campus from the surrounding
6 community. And you can't predict instances like this,
7 where a madman commits an atrocious crime.

8 In some ways, the world is never safe. And
9 given that, we can't lead our lives that way and think
10 that every moment we're faced with these tragic
11 circumstances. We somehow have to learn how to go on in
12 the face of this.

13 And again, I want to say that these
14 students and faculty and staff and indeed the entire
15 Virginia Tech community has stood strong. And my heart
16 is with them and my compliments to them in dealing with
17 this very difficult situation.

18 JOSH CENTOR: One thing you discussed in
19 moving forward, student athletes got back to competition
20 this week. And athletics seemingly is being used as a
21 way for the community to come together.

22 Your thoughts on that.

23 DR. MYLES BRAND: I think that's right,
24 Josh. I think amongst other areas in which you can
25 create a sense of normalcy and bring people back to a

1 grounded sense of themselves, I think athletics does
2 that. And I know that this past weekend three teams
3 participated, and that's a step in the right direction.
4 They have a long way to go and the healing will take a
5 while, but athletics can be part of the healing process.

6 JOSH CENTOR: Well, thank you for sharing
7 some words with us this afternoon.

8 Our thoughts and prayers are with the
9 entire Blacksburg community.

10 We'll see you next week.

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