

ROUND 2 QUOTES
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MICHAEL KIM (-9)

Q. Michael, first off, 18, eagle on 18. Walk us through that.

MICHAEL KIM: Yeah, I hit driver, a good driver and a decent 3-wood to the right bunker. I'm sure I've hit that shot in the past before and I actually think it's my first eagle ever on 18. Back when I played here as a kid, I don't think I was able to reach it in two. Yeah, hit a really nice bunker shot. Came off a little faster than I really wanted, but hit the pin and went there for a nice eagle.

Q. Where does that rank on your PGA TOUR moments and shots?

MICHAEL KIM: I mean, it's definitely at least top-5. Yeah, I mean, that was a cool moment, for sure.

Q. Obviously you just finished the round, but can you put in perspective a little bit to be in this position in this tournament in your hometown?

MICHAEL KIM: Yeah, you know, I've been close to the lead after -- even after Saturday a couple times coming in here at this event. Anytime I'm near the lead at this course it's an awesome feeling.

Q. And then thoughts -- we know the depth your game sunk to and how hard you worked to regain it. Redemption, how's it feel personally to be back in this position after where you were?

MICHAEL KIM: Yeah, a lot of gratitude. I wasn't sure if I ever was going to be back to this place and playing well. Got to give a lot of credit to my coach, Sean Foley, for helping me get back here and hopefully I can keep it going for the next two days.

Q. Speaking of that mindset, outlook as you look towards the weekend, South Course, what do you see? What do you need to do to continue to play well?

MICHAEL KIM: Keep doing what I'm doing. I hit it really well today, just didn't get -- just had to get a few more putts to go in. Otherwise, it was a really good round. I know if I keep hitting the way I am, I'll be right up there at the weekend.

