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01:00:54:00 KEVIN IOLE Q Say and spell your name, and where you work. KEVIN IOLE Sure. Kevin Iole. I-O-L-E. Las Vegas Review Journal. 01:00:59:00

01:01:27:00 KEVIN IOLE Q Holyfield and Tyson came up together. They were due to fight, once Holyfield went to heavyweight, but the fight got postponed. Take me through that. KEVIN IOLE Well, in, uh-- When Mike Tyson lost to Buster Douglas, it was a, a very big shocker and it ruined a lot of plans for a lot of people. Because people thought Mike Tyson was unbeatable, and they were looking for that opponent that, uh, could, you know, make the big-money fight. Everybody thought that was going to be Evander Holyfield. They thought, "Okay, Holyfield's going to be the guy that could make the big-money fight with Tyson." So when, uh, when he lost, they put Holyfield in with Buster Douglas, and Buster Douglas, uh, just did not handle the championship well. So that, that made Evander Holyfield the heavyweight champion. So they decided, "Hey, let's resurrect this." It was a fluke, that one night, what happened in Tokyo. "Let's resurrect it and let's bring it

back." So Mike Tyson is going to come back and he's going to make his triumphant return against Evander Holyfield in 1991. Uh, unfortunately, he went to the beauty pageant in Indianapolis and the rest is history. 01:02:18:00

01:02:34:00 KEVIN IOLE Q So when he comes out and Tyson-Holyfield is now going to be the fight in Las Vegas, set the stage for me. KEVIN IOLE Well, every-- At the time of Tyson-Holyfield One, leading up to the first fight, there was a lot of concern in the fight. Concern for Evander Holyfield's, uh, health. He hadn't looked good in a couple of fights leading into it. His preceding fight against Bobby Chesney looked very poor. Uh, looked like he was about to quit on the stool. There was questions whether his heart was strong enough. He had taken a lot of punishment in his fights with Riddick Bow. And there was a lot of question, "Hey, is Evander Holyfield safe to fight this monster, Mike Tyson?" Uh, Tyson started slow when he came out of prison against Peter McNeeley, you know. And didn't look pretty good. But, uh, Peter McNeeley was, you know, was not much of an opponent. But, very quickly, Tyson won the heavyweight championship back. Uh, he was back to scaring guys. Uh, Bruce Selden almost melted at the sight of Mike Tyson. He went down, uh, you know, really from air. He was just so frightened and he wanted to get out of there. So Tyson had

gotten the aura back in just a couple of fights. He had the titles. Uh, everybody was looking to Tyson. He was a huge cash