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Kanaan Wins 10th IndyCar Series Race at Michigan

BROOKLYN, Mich. (Aug. 5, 2007) – Tony Kanaan became only the fourth driver in history to win 10 IndyCar Series races as he drove the Team 7-Eleven machine to victory in Sunday's Firestone Indy 400 from Michigan International Speedway. Kanaan also inched closer to the IndyCar Series championship lead. He trails Scott Dixon by 57 points for second place. Teammate Dario Franchitti is the series leader.

Starting from the sixth position, Kanaan never found himself out of the top-10 spots during the 200-lap race. He battled with a loose car in the initial stages, but was aided by several great pit stops by the Team 7-Eleven crew that not only improved the car but gained him track position throughout the day. Following a 30-lap caution period that removed six cars from the race, Kanaan and teammate Marco Andretti battled each other over the final 25 laps of the event. Over the final five laps, Andretti made several attempts to get by Kanaan but was not able to find the speed necessary.

The victory was Kanaan's third of the season, with the other two coming at Twin Ring Motegi and Milwaukee. Scott Sharp, Kosuke Matsuura and Buddy Rice rounded out the top five.

The next event on the IndyCar Series schedule is the Meijer Indy 300 presented by Coca-Cola on Saturday, Aug. 11. ESPN2 will provide live coverage of the 200-lap race beginning at 6:30 p.m. (EDT). The race can also be heard live on XM Satellite Radio, channel 145.

Tony Kanaan, #11 Team 7-Eleven Dallara/Honda/Firestone:

"We did not have the fastest car today so this is a great victory. Marco (Andretti) was my wing man today and is my true teammate. He was trying to get me there at the end, trust me. He protected me and we decided it at the end. It's sad that we're not coming back to Michigan but it was a crazy race so there are mixed feelings. Every win is special and this one was great for the 7-Eleven team. I'm just very thankful that Dario is alright and now we've got to continue to try and catch him in the championship and hopefully finish '1-2'."

Eric Cowdin, Race Engineer, #11 Team 7-Eleven Dallara/Honda/Firestone:

"It was an exhausting day for all of us and everyone on the 7-Eleven team worked extremely hard. We made a lot of changes to the car. It wasn't good at the start, we got it dialed in better and were able to work our way to the front. Our main goal was to protect Dario and help this team win the championship. The way things worked out, the best way to help the team was to win the race. Today was a survival day."

2007 Firestone Indy 400 Results

Pos.	Name	Laps		Pos.	Name	Laps
1	***Tony Kanaan***	***200***		11	Tomas Scheckter	144
2	***Marco Andretti***	***200***		12	Dan Wheldon	143
3	Scott Sharp	200		***13***	***Dario Franchitti***	***143***
4	Kosuke Matsuura	200		14	Ed Carpenter	143
5	Buddy Rice	200		15	Darren Manning	113
6	Ryan Hunter-Reay	200		16	Sarah Fisher	83
7	***Danica Patrick***	***199***		17	Helio Castroneves	58
8	AJ Foyt IV	167		18	Vitor Meira	58
9	Sam Hornish Jr.	148		19	Milka Duno	43
10	Scott Dixon	145		20	Jon Herb	26

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