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**Trabzonspor**, prior to Saturday, had not beaten the Lions since the 2010-11 season, when striker Burak Yılmaz -- now playing for galatasaray -- scored the only goal of the match. Saturday’s win, as a matter of fact, was a personal vindication for new coach Ersun Yanal, who began **……..**  second coming with the Storm on a winning note. The much-traveled Yanal had previously coached Trabzonspor in 2007-08, but with little success. Furthermore, the resounding victory also proved beyond any doubt that the Super League championship title Yanal won in **……..** debut with fenerbahçe last season was no fluke.

Give praise where praise is due. Apart from the opening 15 minutes on Saturday, Trabzonspor completely dominated the game and outscored the Lions with three second-half goals by French-Algerian center back Carl Medjani in the 58th and 76th minutes and a solo effort by Turkey junior international Yusuf Erdoğan in the 86th.

“**……..** is no magic and it’s too early to call **……..** success,” Yanal said in **……..** post-match news conference. “We are a young and talented team and want to revive the Trabzonspirit; I congratulate my players for **……..** devotion and fighting spirit**.** **……..** performed even more than I had expected of**…….. .** Trabzonsporhas embarked upon a very important mission in Turkish football. Trabzon is here, there, everywhere and fans should be singing and chanting as we continue our European adventure,” **……..** noted, alluding to the upcoming UEFA Europa League home game in Group L against Ukraine’s Metalist on Thursday.

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