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**BOSTON BRUINS ANNOUNCE KEVIN DEAN AS NEW PROVIDENCE BRUINS HEAD COACH**

**Providence, RI** – The Boston Bruins announced today that Kevin Dean will serve as head coach of the Providence Bruins. Dean has served as an assistant coach since joining the organization since 2011.

A Madison, Wisconsin native, Dean was the New Jersey Devil's fourth choice and the 86th overall selection in the 1987 NHL Entry Draft. Following the draft, he spent four seasons with the University of New Hampshire Wildcats. He went on to have a 12-year professional career and is the fourth player to have won a Stanley Cup and Calder Cup in the same season.

The former NHL defenseman started his coaching career in 2006 when he joined the New Jersey Devils' AHL team as an assistant and served as a coach there until 2011. Dean was the head coach of the Trenton Titans of the ECHL for the 2010-2011 season.

The Providence Bruins qualified for the Calder Cup playoffs four out of the five seasons that Dean has served as assistant coach.

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The Providence Bruins are the American Hockey League affiliate of the NHL's Boston Bruins, playing their home games at the Dunkin' Donuts Center in Providence, RI. Spanning more than 20 years, the Boston/Providence affiliation is one of the longest and most successful player development partnerships in professional hockey history.

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