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THREE-GOAL THIRD TOPS P-BRUINS 5-2

PROVIDENCE, R.I. - The Worcester Sharks scored three times in the third period to defeat the Providence Bruins 5-2 at the Dunkin Donuts Center in the final regular season game the teams will ever play against each other. (In the off-season, the Worcester franchise-- owned by the San Jose Sharks-- will move to San Jose's arena and become the Barracuda.)

Rob Flick had the first good scoring chance in the opening period, though he was held off of the board for the first 20-plus minutes. In his first game back with the P-Bruins since January 4, David Pastrnak beat Worcester goalie Troy Grosenick with a wrister from the right wing dot at 5:18. Providence had three great chances on a minute-long power play rush, which was caused by a hooking minor that prevented a shot on goal during the Paul Carey Ryan Spooner 2-on-1. Nikolay Goldobin put a quick bid on Malcolm Subban with a top-shelf wrister by the left post, but Subban made the glove save at 10:21. Worcester finally got on the board at 13:47, when Chris Tierney raced into the zone and beat Subban with a high shot on the left side.

In the middle period, each team scored a goal once again. Worcester took its first lead with Subban screened, as a Matt Taormina wrister from beyond the left wing circle found its way past the Bruins goaltender. Flick got himself on the board with a wrap-around shot under the crossbar to make it 2-2 with 12:46 left in the frame. Gus Young had a breakaway after leaving the penalty box, but Subban made the stop up high.

The Sharks scored the only goals of the final stanza. Rylan Schwartz put the visiting team up for good with a second-effort goal. He stuffed it in after collecting his own rebound on the near doorstep. Danil Tarasov scored his 16th goal of the season on a juicy rebound in the slot that went in five-hole, and defenseman Matt Tennyson added a score of his own on a one-timer from the slot.

Providence remains in sixth place in the Eastern Conference Standings, but Worcester is now just one point back, and holds the tiebreaker over the Bruins. The Baby B's continue the last weekend of the regular season with their final road game against the Portland Pirates at 7:00pm on Saturday.

PROVIDENCE SCORING: #32 David Pastrnak (#13 Alexander Khokhlachev) #10 Rob Flick (#7 Joe Morrow, #18 Justin Florek)

PROVIDENCE GOALTENDING: #47 Malcolm Subban (24 saves on 29 shots)

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The Providence Bruins are an American Hockey League franchise and the top affiliate of the NHL's Boston Bruins. Since moving to Providence in 1992 the P-Bruins have been among the league leaders in regular season attendance. On the ice the team has enjoyed similar success, having won five division titles, three regular season titles and the Calder Cup in 1999.

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