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The Dunkin' Donuts Center Earns National Industry Recognition

Providence, RI – Facilities Magazine has awarded the Dunkin' Donuts Center its esteemed Prime Site Award for 2017. This marks the 10th time the Dunkin' Donuts Center has been awarded the honor.

This prestigious award and ranking can be attributed to the great concerts, outstanding family shows, exciting high school and college sports games and a number of additional unique events which drew huge crowds. 2017 brought in major touring acts like Miranda Lambert, Luke Bryan, Jason Aldean, Twenty One Pilots and The Chainsmokers. The Dunk also welcomed back the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Championships in 2017. In addition, the Dunk hosted the very first CVS Health Charity Crave event & Gala and the world wide premier of Hascon.

"The Dunkin' Donuts Center has had an exciting 2017. From sold out shows to the AHL Providence Bruins run in the playoffs and the PC Friars earning their 4th consecutive NCAA bid, this past year has been a busy one. "General Manager, Lawrence Lepore and his staff should be commended for their hard work bringing some very big names to Providence," stated Rhode Island Convention Center Authority's Executive Director, James McCarvill. "The Dunkin' Donuts Center had an incredibly powerful year that once again could not be done without the support of the Rhode Island Convention Center Authority," said Lawrence Lepore, SMG General Manager of the Dunkin' Donuts Center. "We would like to thank the patrons that attended our events, the companies that sponsor our building and our primary tenants, the Providence Bruins and the Providence College Friars who call the Dunk their home."

In the coming months, Dunk fans can look forward to Providence Bruins AHL Hockey, Providence College Men's Basketball, , Billy Gilman "Home for the Holidays Concert", Disney on Ice's Frozen, the Harlem Globetrotters and Jeff Dunham. Concert announcements for 2018 will be coming soon, and a full schedule of events can be found by visiting our website, www.dunkindonutscenter.com.

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