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Now, at the Ripe Age of 23 Months, Baby Drummer Releases First CD with Legendary Bassist Ralphe Armstrong

BLOOMFIELD HILLS, Mich., April 18 /PRNewswire/ -- At the age of 20 months, Julian Pavone shook the world with his talent as a drummer. He appeared on several national and network television shows, including "Good Morning America," "Inside Edition," MSNBC, and other programs. He has also received accolades in newspaper articles throughout the country and from as far away as Italy, China and Brazil.

Now, having reached the ripe age of 23 months, with pacifier snug in his mouth, Julian Pavone will release his first CD, "Go Baby!" Julian cut two instrumentals, "Go Baby!" and "Annalisa" with legendary bassist Ralphe Armstrong. The CD also features two other songs, the family inspired piece, "Hambone Uncle Charlie," and "Old Soul," performed by Enzo P.

"I thought 'Old Soul' was appropriate for this CD because I swear this kid is the reincarnation of drummers like Buddy Rich or Tony Williams, with whom I've played," said Armstrong. "It frightens me he is so good. When we look at each other, we communicate about the music. And he has phrasing, mathematical phrasing. It seems the harder the arrangements, the better he plays. This kid's a musical genius."

William Winfield III, who is the coordinator of the Cleveland Cavaliers Drumline and the founder of the United Drumline (of which Julian is by 16 years the youngest member), said, "Julian is amazing with his syncopation, timing and rudiments. He is able to follow me in different patterns. He is also outstanding with his drum rolls."

Winfield observed Julian in the studio and also plays percussions on two of the CD's tracks that Julian does not play on.

Julian may very well be the world's youngest drummer and the world's youngest recorded drummer. He, well, his parents, Bernadino and Lisa Pavone, have applied to the Guinness Book of World Records for this distinction.

But seeing is believing, so Peacock Records produced the CD with video footage featuring Julian in the studio, playing his custom drum set and jammin' in his favorite high top sneakers along to his dad's encouraging, "Bravo, baby!"

Brian Pastoria, a professional drummer and a partner in the Harmonie Park Music Group in Detroit, a close friend of Armstrong's, who like Armstrong, has worked with some of the biggest names in the music business like Aretha Franklin, P Diddy, and LL Cool J, will, with Julian's parents,

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help manage Julian's opportunities. Said Pastoria, "When I first met Julian with his parents in a restaurant, Julian picked up the silverware and was drumming on the table. I couldn't believe it. When I saw him performing, it was validated. It's kind of hard to believe ... seeing the video footage and seeing Julian actually play is remarkable. I think you can build a powerful brand around Julian's talents to reach kids and parents in a creative way."

In addition to national news/talk shows and international newspaper coverage, hometown television news stations have reported on Julian. He also played on numerous radio stations throughout the country and at a Cleveland Cavaliers basketball game. He has also played at a VIP party for the Chicago Cubs during its season home opener.

The CD, "Go Baby!," will be available beginning today (April 17) and can be purchased by visiting Julian's website, <http://www.littledrummerbaby.com>, which also features more information about Julian and his extraordinary accomplishments.

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