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INDEPENDENT CLASSICAL-CROSSOVER ARTIST, MICHEAL CASTALDO RESCHEDULES THE ALBUM RELEASE OF *OLIVE YOU - CLASSIC ITALIAN SONGS TO FEED THE HEART & SOUL* JUST IN TIME FOR VALENTINE'S DAY ON JANUARY 31, 2012

NEW YORK, NY - December 20, 2011 - MICHEAL CASTALDO, the independent classical-crossover artist has scheduled his album just in time for Valentine's Day with a new release date of Tuesday, January 31, 2012. Having just released a #1 Christmas CD on Amazon last month, his new album entitled, *OLIVE YOU* subtitled *CLASSIC ITALIAN SONGS TO FEED THE HEART & SOUL*, is poised to be another best-seller from CASTALDO. The album's lead single and critically acclaimed track, PRAY'R has already garnered the No.1 spot on Amazon.com's MP3 Classical Songs Chart in only three weeks from its initial release. Not only did Michael grab the top single sales slot, he nudged out long-lived chart-toppers like Andrea Bocelli, Sara Brightman, Neil Diamond and Bette Midler. Also, PRAY'R hit Amazon.com's No.1 positions on the Top Rated Classical Song and Hot New Releases in Classical charts: Three No.1 positions showing the undeniable power of PRAY'R.

The album, *OLIVE YOU* serves up five delectable classic tracks along with previously released and re-mastered songs handpicked by CASTALDO who also serves as producer and executive producer of the album along with co-producer and long-time collaborator, Stein B. Svendsen co-writer of the top hit, PRAY'R. Listeners will feast their ears upon such familiar classics as The Theme from The Godfather "BRUCIA LA TERRA" which is sung in a Sicilian dialect and Italian; the Neapolitan Mario Lanza classic, "CORE 'NGRATO;" the newly re-mastered duet co-written by CASTALDO and Jim Papoulis and co-sung with Carol Papoulis "MIO CUORE;" fan favorite and re-mastered hit, "GUARDA QUESTA TERRA;" the hit Italian Classical Crossover mainstay, "CON TE PARTIRO;" a stunning Italian version and newly re-mastered "NOTTE DI LUCE (Nights In White Satin);" and the timeless love songs, "IL MONDO" and the only Spanish track on the album the delectable "EN ARANJUEZ CON TU AMOR." CASTALDO also sprinkles several other self-penned instant classics such as "QUESTO E AMORE," and "IO CREDO" along with "DANCIN' TO A DIFFERENT BEAT" and the No.1 hit single "PRAY'R" which complete the album.

CASTALDO, A Berklee College of Music graduate, is an award-winning Italian classical-crossover tenor whose work has been called a "plush world of ballads and utter sweetness" by *celebritycafe.com* and "the perfect complement to an Italian music collection" by *La Gazzetta Italiana*. His family's orchards in the foothills of Calabria, Italy, where Michéal lived until age 3, have long been committed to producing and distributing fresh and vibrant olive oil at affordable prices. "The result, 'Private Reserve' olive oil... is a textbook olive oil: just the right color, flavor and texture to appeal to everyone," as described by *thenibble.com*, the online magazine about specialty foods for the connoisseur. Knowing this, one can understand the entrepreneurial spirit of CASTALDO. The album unites all aspects of the artist, his roots to his villa and olive orchard in Calabria and his desire to serve up quality music to feed the needs of his listeners.

Michéal's adoration for Olive Oil and his art of making beautiful music evidenced in his newest release, *OLIVE YOU*, creates the perfect love affair and the ultimate gift for Valentine's Day!

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