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SPOTLIGHTS

JONATHA BROOKE **I'll Try** (4:07)
PRODUCER: Stewart Levine
WRITER: J. Brooke
PUBLISHER: Walt Disney Music, ASCAP
Walt Disney Records 60744 (album track)

Who would ever imagine that Jonatha Brooke's most-appealing single in years would come courtesy of Disney? "I'll Try" is a prize moment from the soundtrack to *Return to Never Land*, the new animated Peter Pan vehicle. The delicate ballad opens with the soft stroke of a piano, followed by a mesmerizing vocal performance from the singer/songwriter, rife with vulnerability and an occasional world-weary tremble. While the lyric can certainly be applied to the reluctance of one of the movie's characters to believe in the magical Never Land, for grown-ups, it talks of the struggle we all endure at one time or another to hold on to dreams in times of despair: "I'm too tired to listen, I'm too old to believe/All these childish stories, there is no such thing as faith and trust and pixie dust/I try, but it's so hard." The song ends on a positive note, as the music swells subtly around Brooke, ultimately making this a song of triumph and fortitude—and it's simply lovely. A number of savvy AC stations around the country have already picked up on this song's charms; guaranteed, this one will react with listeners.—*CT*