

Mr. Jon Landau-Nominating Committee
Rock and Roll Hall of Fame Foundation
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Mr Landau,

I am writing to ask you to honor the name of the late Johnny Maestro. This Rock and Roll pioneer who has had major hits going back to the 1950's has for some mysterious reason been over looked by the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. There is no question that his credentials merit the honor of induction.

Between 1957 and 1961 he made the Billboard pop charts both as a lead singer of the Crests and a solo artist 13 times. There is literally nobody over the age of thirty and many younger that does not know the #2 hit classic "Sixteen Candles". Also included are other major hits such as "Step by Step", "Trouble in Paradise", "Six Nights a Week" and "The Angels Listened In".

As lead singer of The Brooklyn Bridge he hit #3 on the Billboard pop charts in 1969 with another classic "The Worst That Could Happen". The Brooklyn Bridge with Johnny Maestro as lead singer made the Billboard pop charts 7 times between the years 1968 and 1970.

Johnny and his group The Brooklyn Bridge worked continually week after week for over forty years performing all over the USA and abroad spreading the American Rock and Roll sound. He was performing right up to Jan 2010, just two months before his illness would take him away from his fans who loved him dearly.

It's too late for Johnny Maestro to see this credit bestowed on him. But, for the sake of his family and his millions of fans this wrong should be corrected. The time has come.

Sincerely,