

Gene Pitney "I'm Gonna Be Strong"

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Written by Carole King and Gerry Goffin

Peaked at # 42 in 1961

One of the first hits produced by young Phil Spector,
Who spent a then-unprecedented \$14,000 recording
this

Song at New York's Bell Sound Studios in late June of
1961.

Gene Pitney reportedly had a cold while trying to sing
this

Song in the studio, forcing him to sing the final verses
in falsetto.

Arranged by Alan Lauber, and featuring backing vocals
by The Halos.

Single b/w "Mr. Moon, Mr. Cupid and I." Two decades
later, British

Singer/songwriter Sting did an homage to this song
with the Police's

Smash 1983 hit "Every Breath You Take."

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(dip-dip, dooba bop bop) (dip-dip, dooba bop bop)

I hardly ever thank the stars above

For sending me your very precious love

You never hear me say a prayer

Of thanks to someone 'way up there

Who gave me such a lucky *break*

Oh, no, darling

Only with ev'ry breath I take

And every time we have to be apart

I hardly ever find you in my heart

And when it comes to thinking of

The thought of losing all your love

I never worry how my heart would ache

Oh, no, darling

Only with ev'ry breath I *take*

Only with ev'ry little step I *make*

Only with ev'ry little beat of my *heart*

And ev'ry single minute I'm *awake*

Oh, no, darling

Only with ev'ry breath I *take*

Only with ev'ry little step I *make*

Only with ev'ry little beat of my *heart*

And ev'ry single minute I'm awake

Oh-aah, ev'ry little breath I take
Ev'ry little step I *make*
Ah, ah, ah, ah, uh, ah
Ah, ah, ah, ev'ry breath I take
(dip-dip, dooba bop bop) (dip-dip, dooba bop bop)'s to
end

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