Iron Gate Records Signs 70s-Inspired Hard Rock Band Escape The Hive



Nashville, Tennessee Mar 14, 2025 (<u>Issuewire.com</u>) - Iron Gate Records is thrilled to announce the signing of Escape The Hive, a dynamic hard rock band rooted in the classic sounds of the 1970s. Known for their compelling lyrics and energetic performances, Escape The Hive brings a fresh yet nostalgic vibe reminiscent of rock legends like Foreigner, Deep Purple, and Journey.

Formed in 2021, Escape The Hive comprises seasoned musicians:

- **Michael Beck** (Lead Vocals): Former frontman for Jake E. Lee's Red Dragon Cartel and fronted the critically acclaimed release with Kings of Dust, Michael's powerful vocals have been a defining force in the hard rock scene.
- **Paul Williams** (Bass): Hailing from a background with Americana artist DL Marble, Southern Rock artist Hollywood Yates, and country artist Laura Walsh, Paul's rhythmic bass lines provide a solid foundation and groove for the band's sound.
- **Rich Hinshaw** (Drums): A versatile drummer and drum core instructor known for his dynamic style and precision.
- **Conrad Varela** (Guitar): Grammy nominated guitarist and Winner of Alice Cooper's "Proof is in the Pudding" competition, Conrad has performed with icons like Alice Cooper and Geoff Tate.
- **Mike Vars** (Keyboards): Adding depth with his keyboard prowess, Mike completes the band's rich, layered sound.

Paul Williams, Bassist of Escape The Hive stated, "Joining Iron Gate Records is an incredible opportunity for Escape The Hive. We're excited to partner with a label that truly understands and supports our vision. Iron Gate's commitment to artist development and creative freedom aligns perfectly with what we stand for as a band. We're looking forward to bringing our music to a wider audience and taking our sound to the next level with their support."

Their debut album, *This Is Gonna Sting*, released in the fall of 2023, received critical acclaim for its authentic rock essence and modern flair. Building on this success, Escape The Hive is set to release their highly anticipated follow-up album in the spring of 2025 under the Iron Gate Records label.

"We are beyond excited to welcome Escape The Hive to the Iron Gate family," said Mark A. Skoda, CEO of Iron Gate Records. "Their dedication to the craft and their ability to capture the essence of classic rock while infusing it with a contemporary edge aligns perfectly with our mission to support and promote exceptional talent."

Escape The Hive's music is a testament to the enduring appeal of hard rock, delivering songs that resonate with both longtime fans and new listeners. Their upcoming album promises to continue this tradition, offering tracks that are both innovative and true to their roots.

About Escape The Hive:

Escape The Hive is a hard rock band deeply inspired by the classic rock era of the 1970s, blending modern influences with timeless rock and roll traditions. Based in Phoenix, Arizona, the band formed in 2021 with a mission to deliver high-energy rock music with compelling storytelling and musicianship. Known for their captivating live performances, Escape The Hive has quickly become a rising force in the hard rock scene, appealing to both classic rock enthusiasts and modern rock fans alike.

For more information about Escape The Hive and updates on their upcoming release, visit <u>escapethehiveofficial.com</u>.

About Iron Gate Records:

Based in Nashville, **Iron Gate Records** is dedicated to discovering and promoting innovative rock, metal, and alternative artists. With a focus on creativity and artist development, the label strives to push the boundaries of music while supporting musicians in bringing their unique visions to life.

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