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THREE HONORED AT IMUA 89th ANNUAL MEETING
John Tutera Receives IMUA Lifetime Achievement Award

New York, NY, June 10, 2019 – James Tutera, known as the Dean of Builders Risk Insurance, was presented with IMUA’s Lifetime Achievement Award at the Association’s 89th Annual Meeting May 19-23. John was one of three individuals recognized by the IMUA at this year’s Annual Meeting. The others included Steve Silverman, Berkshire Hathaway Specialty Insurance – Excellence in Education; Vicky Hartman, Director Inland Marine Southeast, National Insurance Property, Liberty Mutual Insurance – Outstanding Committee Person.

The Awards presentation took place at the IMUA’s closing ceremonies during its 89th Annual Meeting held in Leesburg, VA.

Commenting on John Tutera’s award, IMUA President & CEO Kevin O’Brien said, “ John has carried the IMUA flag throughout his impressive insurance career...a true champion of the Association. He served on the IMUA Transportation Committee and was co-chair of the Construction Committee for many years up until his retirement. John’s expertise in builders risk insurance is unsurpassed. He has contributed to many technical white papers and has presented at numerous IMUA events and Annual Meetings. In 2014, John was presented with the IMUA Excellence in Education Award.

As the winner of the Excellence in Education Award, Steve Silverman was recognized as an influential force in advancing IMUA’s education curriculum. He has developed technical inland marine courses and been a featured presenter/ instructor at countless IMUA education events. Steve was instrumental in developing IMUA’s comprehensive course, Understanding Contractors Equipment, which he has presented in New York City and Toronto in the first half of 2019.

Steve consistently receives high marks from his students for his strong technical expertise and engaging delivery style. Over the years he has been committed to “raising the bar” for IMUA education. Steve serves on the IMUA Transportation Committee and is co-chair of the Construction Committee. He was a founding member of IMUA’s New England Regional Advisory Committee and continues an active role with the group. Steve is a strong supporter of the Association and his contributions have made IMUA a stronger organization.

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Vicky Hartman, Outstanding Committee Person Award winner, recently assumed her position as chair of the IMUA Southeast Regional Advisory Committee, leading the group that presents a very highly regarded, full day annual education seminar. Vicky is also an active member of the Annual Meeting Education Committee, a group that plans the agenda and format for IMUA's national education conference. She developed the focus for one of this year's Annual Meeting sessions on builders risk coverage and construction contracts for which she will be a co-presenter.

"Vicky has demonstrated a strong effort to support IMUA. She has been a key advisor to IMUA staff on several creative education initiatives. She is truly engaged in furthering the effectiveness of IMUA," said O'Brien.

Richard Pye was presented with the IMUA Leadership Award for his tenure as chairman of the IMUA Board of Directors. Rich was an influential force in expanding IMUA's reach through its regional advisory groups including the international push into Canada. He also led the association into its eLearning course development scheduled to kick off in June 2019.

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IMUA is the national association for the commercial inland marine insurance industry. IMUA serves as the voice of its member companies representing over 90 percent of all commercial inland marine insurers. The association provides its members with comprehensive training and educational programs, including research papers and bulletins, industry analysis and seminars. IMUA was founded in 1930.