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THE VOICE OF REASON PREVAILS . . .

PRESS RELEASE FROM ICC - "After review and consideration of significant feedback from ICC members, it was clear to the Board that the joint venture, as first proposed, would not be acceptable without further modification. Issues of concern included the code development process, committee balance, the base document for the codes and ownership of the proposed joint codes".

THE ICC BOARD responded to those concerns and shared its position with IAPMO. They have responded, indicating they are not in a position to entertain the points outlined in ICC's latest offer. This marks an end to the earnest effort to combine the value of the ICC announced today that negotiations have ended with IAPMO on a joint venture to develop a single plumbing code and single mechanical code.

100 FIRE DEATHS - TRAVESTY OF JUSTICE

AFTER ALMOST FIVE hours of family impact statements, Associate Justice Francis J. Darigan Jr. accepted the plea agreements from Jeffrey and Michael Derderian, owners of the Station nightclub. In keeping with the previously disclosed agreement, Darigan sentenced Jeffrey Derderian to 500 hours of community service and Michael Derderian to serve four years at the Adult Correctional Institutions in minimum security.

THE DERDERIANS WERE the owners of The Station nightclub located at 211 Cowesett Ave., West Warwick, R.I.. They faced 200 counts of involuntary manslaughter, under two separate legal theories, following the fire on Feb. 20, 2003 that took the lives of 100 people and injured about 200 others.

Last week, it was announced the Derderians had agreed to change their pleas from not guilty to nolo contendere (no contest) on 100 counts of misdemeanor manslaughter. The other 100 counts were dismissed. **SHAME, SHAME, SHAME** on the Rhode Island justice system, the prosecution and the Governor. What kind of message does this give code violators?

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