

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 129

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Austin in paying tribute to Tanya Streeter for breaking the world freediving record in the variable ballast category on July 21, 2003, and for setting another world record the following day in the constant weight without fins category; and

WHEREAS, Tanya accomplished these feats at Providenciales in the Turks and Caicos Islands in the Eastern Caribbean; she broke the world record in the variable ballast category by descending 400 feet and resurfacing without the help of air tanks or buoyancy aids; the dive took three minutes, 38 seconds, and beat the men's record by six feet and the women's record by 88 feet; and

WHEREAS, The next day, she set a mark in the new category, constant weight without fins, by descending to 115 feet on a single breath and resurfacing without the aid of fins after one minute and 44 seconds; Tanya now owns five deep freediving records--the constant ballast, free immersion, no limits, variable ballast, and constant weight without fins; and

WHEREAS, An environmental activist, Tanya got her start in the sport of freediving in 1998; today she is one of the world's most accomplished and recognized athletes in her sport and is now the holder of nine world records; and

WHEREAS, Tanya was educated at Roedean School and Brighton University in Great Britain and now lives in Austin with her husband, Paul; and

WHEREAS, Her phenomenal record of success in a sport that is potentially very dangerous shows her commitment to safety and careful attention to detail, and she sets an excellent example for others to follow; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 78th Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby commend Tanya Streeter for her outstanding record of achievements and extend to her congratulations on her latest accomplishments in freediving; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for her as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on July 25, 2003.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate