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The recognition took place in the Cuban city of Cienfuegos, as part of a meeting with some 200 friends of solidarity who participate in the activities in salute to July 26, reported the Presidency in its account on the social network Twitter.

"It is with deep gratitude that I accept this great award," said Gail Walker.

The Friendship Medal is awarded by the Council of State at the proposal of the Cuban Institute of Friendship with the Peoples (ICAP), in recognition of a trajectory of solidarity with the island and unconditional attachment to the defense of the Cuban Revolution. The Order of Solidarity is also granted by the Council of State.

Díaz-Canel thanked the young Americans who last June, by organizing the People's Summit in Los Angeles, were the protagonists "of the true Summit of the Americas." He acknowledged the permanent and systematic support they have offered for decades, and noted that the meeting takes place on a significant day for Cuba: the prelude to the commemoration of July 26 (69th anniversary of the assaults on the Moncada and Carlos Manuel de Céspedes barracks).

The solidarity action was held at the theater of the University of Medical Sciences of Cienfuegos, a city that will celebrate tomorrow the national act for the National Rebellion Day.

It is a privilege and honor to share this historic moment with Cuba, said Dorlimar Lebron Malave, representative of the Pastors for Peace Caravan.

We are committed to continue fighting to end the blockade of the United States, one of the greatest genocides of humanity, added the activist.

Milagros Rivera spoke on behalf of the Juan Rius Rivera Brigade, who recalled that the COVID-19 pandemic prevented them from coming to Cuba in the previous two years, but did not stop solidarity, but rather multiplied it, she said.

"Solidarity with Cuba was never and will never be quarantined," said Milagros Rivera.

U.S. representatives of the Venceremos Brigade and the Socialism and Liberation Party assured that they will not stop demanding an end to the attempts to destroy the Revolution and the unjust economic, commercial and financial blockade imposed by their country's government.

Some 10 thousand people from Cienfuegos will participate tomorrow, Tuesday, in the central act for the National Rebellion Day.

On July 26, 1953, a group of young people led by Fidel Castro, later identified by Cuban history as the Centennial Generation, attacked the Moncada (Santiago de Cuba) and Carlos Manuel de Céspedes (Bayamo) barracks, actions that the leader himself described as the small engine that started the big engine of the Revolution.

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