

Pedro Perucho Figueredo is honored in Cuba



Havana, August 17 (RHC)-- The Secretary of Organization of the Communist Party of Cuba, Roberto Morales Ojeda recalled Thursday the 153rd anniversary of the execution of Pedro (Perucho) Figueredo, creator of the lyrics and music of the National Anthem.

In his profile on X, formerly Twitter, the high-ranking official evoked the exemplary patriot and accompanied his message with the hashtags #Cuba and #CubaViveEnSuHistoria (#CubaLivesInHistory).

For its part, on the same social network, the island's Ministry of Foreign Affairs highlighted that on a day like today in 1870, Major General of the Liberation Army Perucho Figueredo was shot.

"In front of the firing squad he shouted: "To die for the Homeland is to Live!", the final phrase of Cuba's National Anthem, whose music had been created by him in August 1867," added the Caribbean nation's Foreign Ministry.

The military man and patriot, who was an important figure in the Cuban independence struggle, fell into the hands of Spanish colonialist troops and was shot in Santiago de Cuba, already ill and with ulcers on his feet.

In that city, a representation of the people and local authorities, as well as other political and mass cadres were at the scene of the events.

Figueredo was born in the city of Bayamo (eastern Cuba) on July 29, 1819, studied law and also cultivated literature and music. With the latter talent, recognized among his compatriots, he composed the march "La Bayamesa".



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