

The city pays tribute with a bust to businessman Juan Pérez, one of the driving forces of tourism in Las Canteras

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The mayor of Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, Augusto Hidalgo, presided over the tribute ceremony of the city to the restaurateur Juan Pérez, an entrepreneur who for 20 years ran a well-known and emblematic restaurant by the beach and became one of the great promoters of tourism in Las Canteras. From now on, this beach will always remember this Gran Canaria with a bust of the Cuban sculptor Rafael Gómez González, who has settled near the restaurant Juan Pérez, in La Puntilla.

Along with the councilor of Citizen Participation and District Isleta-Puerto-Guanarteme, Sergio Millares, Hidalgo has recalled the work done by this entrepreneur born in Arucas and arrived in La Puntilla in 1954. "His tenacity, his kindness and his great personality his business in a great focus of attraction both for people who lived in the city and for those who visited us, and who were treated with the best of smiles by this entrepreneur who knew how to see the enormous opportunity offered by this beach Quarries to install a restaurant that became a point of reference in the city," said the alderman.

The son of the honoree, Juan Pérez Medina, promoter of this recognition, added that the fame of the place made it frequented by personalities passing through the city such as Gregori Peck, Pier Angeline, John Huston, Edi Constantine, George Marshall and many characters of the culture, sports and national and international politics.

The proposal made by Juan Manuel Pérez Medina to dedicate a bust to his father has had the approval of the Technical Board of Memory and Historical Heritage of the City of Las Palmas de Gran Canaria. Also attending today's tribute the announcer Jorge Alemán, who has dedicated a few words to remember the figure of Juan Pérez, who along with his restaurant, is also known for promoting the construction of other buildings in Las Canteras to welcome tourists who, Each time in greater number, they arrived at Las Palmas de Gran Canaria in the 60s and 70s.

Several members of groups such as the Federation of Neighborhood Associations El Real de Las Palmas have also attended the tribute; of the Canarian Neighborhood Movement, of the Federation of Associations The Midlands and the Forum La Isleta and the well-known singer, and neighbor of the zone, Mary Sanchez.