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LAW ON MUNICIPAL MUSEUMS

LAW No. 23

Article 1:

Every municipality of the Republic shall create a museum to preserve and exhibit, for their knowledge and study, documents, photographs and other objects associated with the national and local history reflecting the traditions of the people, the outstanding struggles, the facts and lives of renown personalities in different times and the economic, cultural and institutional development.

At the provincial capitals the municipal museum shall also have a provincial character.

Article 2:

The Municipal Assembly of the Peoples' Power and its dependencies shall instruct, organize and implement the necessary measures to create

the museums referred to in the previous article for which purpose, in a modest way, shall use the existing facilities and other local resources available including, among others, the arrangement of buildings with historical or architectural value, with the authorization and guidance of the Commissions of Monuments.

Article 3:

The municipal museums shall be under the attention, direction and control of the Direction of Culture of the corresponding Municipal Assembly of the Peoples' Power, subordinated to the technical and methodological guidance of the Ministry of Culture.

Article 4:

The Ministry of Culture shall impart instructions and set technical and methodological rules for the installation and functioning of municipal museums.

TRANSITORY PROVISIONS

First: The Ministry of Culture shall dictate the corresponding technical and methodological orientations to implement this law within a term of six months from its promulgation.

Second: Within a three year term from the promulgation of this law, the Municipal Assemblies shall make the relevant decisions and shall arrange for the creation of municipal museums.

The Ministry of Culture could extend the time set for this purpose in those municipalities without the necessary conditions to create the museums in an adequate and efficient way.

FINAL PROVISION

Other legal and regulatory provisions contrary to the compliance of this law shall be derogated. This law shall enter into effect after its publication in the Official Gazette of the Republic.

City of Havana, May 18th, 1979.

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