

Chair Fahey and member of the Committee:

I'm Alan Webber, mayor of Santa Fe, New Mexico, and longtime friend of Len.

If having a sense of humor is a prerequisite to survive a life in politics, it's no wonder Len Bergstein thrived.

He understood and appreciated the foibles and frailties of the human drama in the world of politics.

He could laugh at himself, and he could make others laugh with him — both appreciating and putting into perspective the work of getting things done in the public realm.

He took the work and the cause and the over-arching public purpose very seriously—himself, not so much.

Len's grounded sense of the human comedy made him incredibly valuable — as friend, advisor, advocate, and colleague.

Where others could get lost either in the stratosphere or the weeds, Len always provided perspective.

Because he knew who he was and what he cared about, he offered others clear guidance and consistent direction.

I've never known anyone who had such a small ego — but had so much to brag about.

Thank you.