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April 13, 1965

Mr. Larry J. Gordon
City Hall
City of Albuquerque
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Dear Larry:

I join with your many friends and admirers in extending congratulations to you and your staff on the significant achievement of winning the Samuel J. Crumbine Award for 1965.

The Albuquerque Health Department in this attainment reflects credit on itself, our city government and the city as a whole.

Please accept my highest regard for you and for all of your staff.

Sincerely,

Lars Halama
Director of Development

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OFFICE OF THE DEAN

April 13, 1965

Mr. Howard E. Hough
Secretary
The Public Health Committee
of the Paper Cup and
Container Institute
250 Park Avenue
New York, New York 10017

Dear Mr. Hough:

Thank you for your letter of April 9th. We are all very pleased that the Albuquerque Health Department was honored by being selected for the 1965 National Samuel J. Crumline Award.

As Dean of a developing medical school, it is most satisfying to know that the fundamental health resources in the community are so effectively developed and well-managed. Mr. Gordon and his staff have been most cooperative and of great assistance in getting some of our programs under way.

Yours sincerely,

Reginald H. Fitz, M. D.
Dean

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cc: Mr. Gordon

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

April 15, 1965

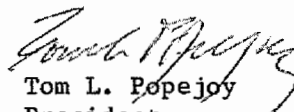
Mr. Larry J. Gordon
Director
Albuquerque Health Department
400 Marquette Avenue NW
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Gordon:

I am pleased to learn from Mr. Howard E. Hough, Secretary of the Public Health Committee of the Paper Cup and Container Institute, that the Albuquerque Health Department has won the 1965 national Samuel J. Crumbine Award for outstanding achievement in the development of a comprehensive program of environmental health.

Your leadership of the Albuquerque Health Department no doubt has had much to do with the selection of Albuquerque for this award.

Sincerely yours,


Tom L. Popejoy
President

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November 21, 1973

Larry Gordon, M.S., M.P.H., Director
Scientific Laboratory System
Health and Social Services Department
2929 Monte Vista, N.E.
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87106

Dear Larry:

Thank you kindly for the copy of your interesting
and penetrating analysis of environmental
management methods.

Your paper makes a concise and clever presentation
of the subject.

Please do keep my name on your mailing list.

Thank you for the past help from the Environmental
Improvement Agency which you built. The good
work you initiated in our behalf is continuing though
most of your energies must now be required by
your new position.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Lora Shields

Lora M. Shields, Director
Environmental Health Division

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September 26, 1978

Larry J. Gordon M.S., M.P.H.
Deputy Secretary
Health and Environment Department
State of New Mexico
P.O. Box 968
Sante Fe, NM 87503

Dear Larry:

I just read your presentation "Environmental Health - An Idea Whose Time Has Come" presented to the Arizona Public Health Association. Your succinct comments are always very incisive, facinating, and interesting to read.

If you have no objections, I would like to have my Principles of Environmental Health class read (and reread) these comments next semester.

I look forward to hearing from you and remaining on your mailing list. I hope to see you at the APHA meeting.

Sincerely,

Salvatore R. DiNardi, Ph.D.
Associate Professor and Chairperson
Environmental Health Program

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AT

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Department of
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August 20, 1979

*Copy to Larry Gordon
for info 8/23/79*

Dr. William Darity
School of Public Health
University of Massachusetts
Amherst, MA 01002

Dear Bill:

Larry J. Gordon is a candidate for the Office of President-Elect of the American Public Health Association. I strongly and whole heartedly recommend that you vote for him. I have worked with him over the last 20 years on various assignments within the American Public Health Association, National Environmental Health Association and the American Academy of Sanitarians. Larry Gordon is a person of exceptional abilities.

I am certain that you will have in hand a resume of his professional accomplishments and of the statement which he prepared for The Nations Health. His dedication of public health and environmental quality is exceptional in its depth and scope. In a series of positions of increasing complexity, he has shown a remarkable administrative capacity. He thinks clearly and decisively. He is concise and articulate. He has a remarkable vision.

Larry Gordon has earned the opportunity to serve the American Public Health Association as President-Elect. I urge you to see that he has that opportunity.

Sincerely,

Emil T. Chanlett, Prof.
Sanitary Engineering

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Office of the Dean

July 30, 1979

Dr. George J. Kupchik
88 Central Park West
New York, New York 10023

Dear George:

Larry Gordon, who is the Deputy Secretary of the State of New Mexico's Department of Health and Environment, is one of two individuals who have been proposed as candidates for the position of President-elect of the American Public Health Association.

I've known Larry for over a quarter of a century and have followed his career in public health with a great deal of admiration. He is clearly a leader with a forceful style and proven managerial ability. I believe that his candidacy should be supported and I urge you to do so within the APHA governance.

Aloha,

Jerrold M. Michael
Dean and Professor
of Public Health

JMM:fct

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*School of Public Health and Community Medicine
Department of Environmental Health, SC-34*

Mr. Larry Gordon,
Deputy Secretary,
New Mexico Health and Environment Department,
P.O. Box 968,
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87503

May 8, 1979

Dear Larry:

Thank you very much for sending me the Department's Program Delivery Guide; I plan to have it as required reading for my management course next Autumn Quarter. Your agency impresses me both in terms of the scope of responsibility as well as the high level of quality of organization, and I hope that one of these days I will have the opportunity of paying you a visit to find out more information. It was a real pleasure meeting you. I appreciated your comments and suggestions concerning our program here, and I look forward to talking with you again. Thanks again,

Best wishes,

Jacques

Jacques Faigenblum, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor



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November 5, 1981

Dr. Larry J. Gordon
Deputy Secretary
State of New Mexico
P.O. Box 968
Sante Fe, New Mexico 87503

Dear Larry:

Despite the fact that I did get a chance to say this to you briefly on Wednesday before I left Los Angeles, I wanted to write to you and tell you what a really marvelous job you did as President of the APHA. The leadership that you provided, particularly at a time of great change and stress, was outstanding and I can assure you very much appreciated by a substantial portion of the membership.

With best personal regards,

As always,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Cecil".

Cecil G. Sheps, M.D.
Taylor Grandy Distinguished
Professor of Social Medicine

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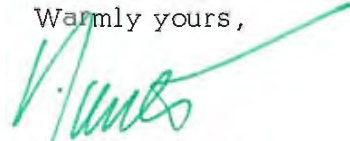
May 14, 1981

Mr. Larry J. Gordon, MS, MPH
President, American Public Health Association
1015 - 15th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20005

Dear Larry:

Bravo, Larry! I like your column very much. I wish the
APHA would always take such a strong and courageous stand. My warmest
applause.

Warmly yours,



Vicente Navarro
Professor of Health
and Social Policy

VN:sth



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May 13, 1983

American Academy of Sanitarians
Wagner Award
c/o Dr. Geswaldo A. Verrone
11617 Silent Valley Lane
Gaithersburg, MD 20878

Re: Mr. Larry J. Gordon

Dear Dr. Verrone:

I understand that Larry J. Gordon has been nominated for the Davis Calvin Wagner Sanitarian Award. I wish to support that nomination in the strongest possible way.

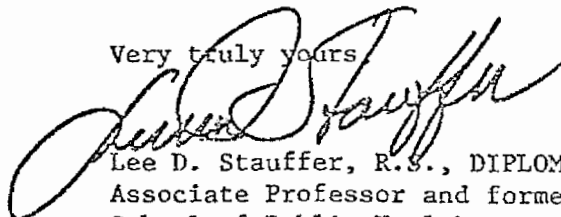
During the past two decades, Larry Gordon has brought credit to the profession of sanitarian in ways that I believe are matched by no others. Wherever he has worked he has brought new insights, created new organizations to anticipate the needs of the times, and has published his thoughts and accomplishments, both for peer review and for guidance of others faced with similar problems.

He has been an outspoken advocate for thoughtful environmental health planning and action, and has brought credit to us all as well as to our field. His rise to the presidency of the American Public Health Association provided him an opportunity to represent the interests of environmental health at the national level, and he did this with power, dignity and effectiveness.

It has been my pleasure and privilege to have known Larry for over 20 years, and to follow his career during that time. His involvement with professional associations, as detailed in the nomination, his imaginative contributions to environmental health administration, his statesmanlike advocacy of environmental health at the national level, and his complete commitment to the professionalization of the sanitarian, have created a role model which I believe to be the epitome of our profession.

I believe we would all be honored by recognizing Larry J. Gordon with the Davis Calvin Wagner Sanitarian Award, and I support the nomination with great enthusiasm. If you need more information, please do not hesitate to call me at (612) 376-3254.

Very truly yours



Lee D. Stauffer, R.S., DIPLOMATE, AAS.
Associate Professor and former Dean
School of Public Health

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*School of Public Health and Community Medicine
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March 24, 1983

Mr. Larry J. Gordon
Office of the Director
City of Albuquerque
Environmental Health and Energy Department
P. O. Box 1293
924 Park Avenue SW
Albuquerque, NM 87103

Re: Program Guide July 1982 - June 1983

Dear Larry:

I want to commend you on the outstanding program guide you have developed for the department you are now directing.

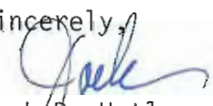
I believe you have done an outstanding job and in particular have added a couple of pages of information in the introduction that has made the document even more valuable. The section on definitions adds much to the report from my perspective, particularly when I want to use it as a teaching tool for some of our students.

I would appreciate receiving five additional copies of your program guide that I might use as a reference for our students.

I have heard from John Fish that your publication on hazardous waste management for local health departments has been published. I am looking forward to seeing that document because I believe it will be a real leader in the field for our environmental health personnel. I was certainly impressed with the draft I reviewed last year and see tremendous potential for that document. It is fantastic the things you get done.

Tom Baca participated in the advisory committee to our continuing competency system for environmental health practitioners. He had some very good input and it was really great to have him back in the fold. He indicated he did a little work with you and is now back with the state on a full-time basis. I am sure that is a real gain for New Mexico and I am sure it will be a gain for APHA and other professional organizations.

Sincerely,


Jack B. Hatlen
Associate Professor

JBH:ct



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December 8, 1989

Larry J. Gordon
Secretary
New Mexico Health & Environment Department
P.O. Box 968
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-0968

Dear Larry,

Thanks for writing the letter in the current Nation's Health. It came just in time to share with my students (all five of them who decided to take an elective course on the History and Philosophy of Public Health), and goes with the last assignment which is to write on what they think the goal(s) of P.H. ought to be in the next decades, and what the scope of practice should be.

I'll also be sharing my view with them as a point of departure. I decided to send a copy to you also and would appreciate your critique and suggestions.

Sincerely,

Lynn Deniston

P.S. Hope this gets to you. You didn't let us know of your move to the University!



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October 10, 1990

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Larry J. Gordon, M.P.H.
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Albuquerque, New Mexico 87110

Dear Larry:

I want to express my sincere appreciation to you for the excellent presentation you made to the plenary session of the APHA Annual Meeting on the subject "Paying to Reach the Environmental Objectives for the Year 2000." I want you to know how very powerful your comments turned out to be. I know that, from a personal point of view, I have rarely heard such a clear and convincing statement of the need to reconsider the importance that these issues related to environmental health have achieved within the overall public policy agenda of the APHA. As you could tell from the audience reaction to your presentation, a lot of people agree strongly with the things you had to say.

As a member of the U. S. Preventive Services Task Force, I recognize the significant absence of any concern for environmental (or occupational) health issues in a strategy which defines the primary emphasis to be the provision of preventive health services through providers of conventional medical care. Thank you very much for sending me a copy of your excellent paper presented during this special plenary session. I will find it useful for my own education, but I will also find it useful in a number of other respects. In one arena particularly, I would find your remarks very helpful. This is in regard to an effort I am making, along with Terry Lierman and others in Washington, to launch a new private-sector organization designed to promote the attainment of the Year 2000 Objectives. This organization we are hoping to initiate, called *Partnership for Prevention*, will bring together leaders in several private and voluntary-sector organizations to work toward the achievement of a national political strategy for achieving the Year 2000 Objectives. We, like those you mentioned in your talk, are guilty of not giving sufficient attention to environmental health issues. This, we believe, can be corrected in further revisions of our thinking along these lines and I would like to invite you to play a role in this regard if it would be of interest to you.

I am enclosing a set of materials that we have initially drafted pertaining to *Partnership for Prevention* in the hope that you will give us your thoughts about how such an organizational venture might contribute. We are in the process of revising these materials in the next two or three weeks and are hoping to begin to put together the basic organizational structure of this initiative in the weeks ahead. We had a preliminary discussion of these issues over breakfast on the morning of September 6, just before the first session of the Year 2000 Objectives Conference in Washington. About 35 organizations were represented at that meeting and the enthusiasm was fairly substantial. We have subsequently heard from many other organizations and we believe that this idea is one with considerable potential for accomplishment during the coming year. It would be wonderful if you could find a way to be involved in this activity. I will make an effort to keep you informed as these events unfold and invite you to subsequent meetings in this regard.

Larry J. Gordon, M.P.H.
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October 10, 1990

Thank you again for your wonderful presentation. I found it both stimulating and provocative. I appreciate the great care you gave to these issues and look forward to talking with you further about these issues. If possible, I will appreciate very much the opportunity to read once again your comments.

Yours sincerely,



Gordon H. DeFriese, Ph.D.
Professor of Social Medicine,
Epidemiology, and Health Policy
and Administration; and
Director, Health Services
Research Center

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May 28, 1992

Larry Gordon
Division of Public Administration
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Albuquerque, NM 87131-1216

Dear Mr. Gordon:

Thank you for sending the draft of the NEHA document on The Future of Environmental Health. I had the pleasure of reading it upon my return to school after attending several conferences.

You are entirely correct not only in the presentation of facts, but also in your discussions of the philosophy underlying past and present environmental health practices. Anyone who has ever done field work in environmental health would certainly agree with what you have written. One of my concerns is that the editing of the final document may be done by non-practitioners of environmental health and thus the impact of this draft may be diluted.

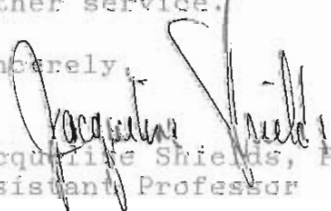
Perhaps a one-two page summary as a preface would be appropriate and encourage those not directly employed as environmental health professionals to read the entire document. In its present state, it may be too long to attract the widest audience possible. Do not delete any areas as all critical bases have been touched, but rather reduce the length by streamlining and refining the writing.

On page 15 I strongly suggest the alternative of "No Environmental Health" be presented. I realize that this is heresy to anyone in the environmental health field, however, there are those in Schools of Public Health who say that environmental has no place in public health. The public, and even worse, public health administrators have absolutely no idea of the impact of the removal of environmental affairs from public health. The public needs to be reminded of what would happen if this were to occur!

All in all, I believe the draft to be very strong and would vote for it to be carried forward to the final document.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to review this document. Please call if I can be of further service.

Sincerely,


Jacqueline Shields, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor



June 10, 1992

A few
comments FYI
Larry

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Mr. Larry Gordon
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Dear Larry:

I have carefully reviewed the June 1, 1992 draft of the NEHA document, The Future of Environmental Health. The recommendations relating to a title change for NEHA and the JEH are appropriate and long over due. I especially support Sections XV, XVI, and XVII of the report.

If the NEHA Executive Committee and Board of Directors approve the document, I feel that the association can become a more effective leader in the field.

You are to be commended for the excellent work which you have done on this project. I look forward to seeing you in Canada next month.

Keep up the good work.

Sincerely,

Trenton G. Davis, Dr.P.H.
Professor of Environmental Health

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November 2, 1992

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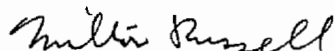
Dear Larry:

I have just finished reading "The Future of Environmental Health" and I wanted to tell you that I believe it is an excellent document.

You and your committee have cut through the morass and gotten to the heart of the issues involved in assuring that we do the best that we possibly can for the health of our people. I hope that this document gets the wide circulation that it deserves and becomes must reading in many quarters -- especially as we move into a new four year presidential term when environment and health care will take center stage.

Congratulations on providing a major contribution to understanding.

Sincerely,



Milton Russell
Director, Joint Institute
for Energy and Environment



The
University of Oklahoma
Health Sciences Center

OFFICE OF THE DEAN
College of Public Health

Bailus Walker, Jr., Ph.D., M.P.H.
Professor and Dean

January 27, 1993

Chris Wiant, President
National Environmental Health Association
% Tri County Health Department
7000 E. Belleview, #301
Englewood, CO 80111

Dear Mr. Wiant:

I strongly suggest that you widely circulate to key policymakers and other public health and environmental leaders reprints of The Future of Environmental Health report, published in the January/February edition of the *Journal of Environmental Health*. The report is excellent and deserves maximum visibility.

Sincerely,

Bailus Walker, Jr., Ph.D., MPH
Professor and Dean of Public Health

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bc: ✓ Larry Gordon



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June 14, 1988

Mr. Larry Gordon
Secretary, New Mexico Health and Environment Department
Santa Fe, NM 87504

Dear Larry:

Congratulations on your retirement. I am quite sure that your retirement will not be conducted in a traditional manner. As one of more than 2000 graduates of the Department of Environmental and Industrial Health in the School of Public Health, your record of achievement is one in which the School takes great pride. Your thirty plus years of productive service at the local, state and federal levels are the expectations of many but accomplished in such a distinguished way by only a few. Your professional contributions and initiatives to establish new programs and guidelines on issues in the field of Environmental Health are acknowledged, greatly appreciated and envied by your peers. I know your guidance and day-to-day interactions with your current staff will be missed and not soon forgotten.

On behalf of the faculty of our Department, I wish you the best in your retirement years. The 'public health community' is grateful for your professional and intellectual contributions which have made significant impacts on environmental health issues spanning over four decades.

Sincerely,

Robert H. Gray, Ph.D.
Professor and Chairman



The University of Michigan

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June 6, 1988

The Honorable Larry Gordon, Secretary
New Mexico Health and Environment Department

Dear Larry,

So what next? Retirement? Not likely. It seems to me that many people have had the opportunity to offer their congratulations and best wishes to you on several occasions; then, each time, someone drafts you again, to set right what was done once and needed doing again.

It is an wonderful record of accomplishment. Around the country, when thinking of public health leaders who have represented the concerns of environmental health, people at all levels of government and at various stages in their careers mention your name first, "Of course Larry Gordon ..."

My own, personal remembrances are warm ones indeed. You were my first mentor in APHA. You weren't really an elder of public health by virtue of age at that time, but you were a leader based on accomplishments. It was an environmental health study committee. After that, of course, I have had the good fortune to work with and meet with you on numerous occasions: once in Albuquerque as your guest (twice, if you count a lovely evening at your home with Nedra and CEPH), at APHA meetings and in various offices of the Association, with CEPH, and at national conferences and meetings.

It's been a splendid experience, one which I hope will go on and on as others of us try to do what you have taught us and demonstrated so well.

On behalf of an awful lot of people, "Thank you."

Sincerely,

George Pickett, MD, MPH
Professor and Ex-This & That



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ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO 87131

June 6, 1988

Larry Gordon, Secretary
New Mexico Health and
Environment Department
Scientific Laboratory Division
700 Camino de Salud, NE
Albuquerque, NM 87106

Dear Larry,

Your long association with the Division of Community Medicine at the School of Medicine began two decades ago when Bob Oseasohn was in charge. The Division has gained by this association and your continued willingness to participate and share your wisdom with us.

The relationship has seen many transitions, both in your own career and in the growth of the Division. It is certainly my hope that your retirement from State service will not be the end of this and that we will continue to find the means to continue working together.

Thanks, Larry.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Wiese', is written above the typed name.

William H. Wiese, M. D., Professor
Director, Division of Community Medicine

WHW:jsh

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June 6, 1988

Mr. Larry Gordon, Secretary
New Mexico Health and Environment Department
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Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504

Dear Larry:

Best wishes to you and your family on the occasion of your retirement. It has been a pleasure and privilege to know and work with you in the profession of environmental health throughout your outstanding career. I know that your professional expertise in the State of New Mexico as well as in the numerous professional organizations and the U.S. Public Health Service will be greatly missed. I'm sure though, that you will be available to add that touch of wisdom when it is needed by your colleagues.

I hope that you will have a wonderful and fulfilling retirement and I know that the banquet and retirement party will be a true tribute to your dedicated service.

Looking forward to seeing you in the near future I remain your friend and colleague. Again, best wishes.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Sanford M. Brown".

Sanford M. Brown, Ph.D.
Associate Dean

SMB:fg



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June 10, 1988

Larry Gordon
Secretary
Health and Environment Department
State of New Mexico

Dear Larry:

While you may be "retiring," I hope (and suspect) that you will be busier than ever. Your national and global outlook needs to continue to play an important role in helping the environmental health profession evolve. Perhaps more importantly, your leadership continues to be needed to help find solutions to the substantial environmental problems still facing us today.

I greatly enjoyed working with you at the Bureau of Health Professions Task Force meetings, and hope we have similar opportunities in the future. Whenever I enter overly long debates regarding environmental health professionals as opposed to professionals in environmental health, I remember who to blame. Without that semantic distinction, we might not know to frame our arguments, and have to go back to our offices to work.

Best wishes on a happy and productive retirement.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Gary", written over a horizontal line.

Gary S. Silverman, D.Env.
Director

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June 13, 1988

Larry J. Gordon, M.S., M.P.H.
Secretary
Health & Environment Department
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Dear Larry:

It is a special pleasure to wish you well and to acknowledge your significant contributions to public health over the years, on the occasion of your pending retirement from state service in New Mexico.

Your interest in promoting a well qualified work force and attending to the ties between practice and the academic world have made an impact in higher education, just as you have left your imprint on the practice of environmental health in this country. Although your role in education may be less well known, there are many of us who see your involvement in education as having lasting importance. You were one of the original incorporators of the Council on Education for Public Health, the national accrediting body for public health schools and programs. You and the other seven founding directors -- Frank Ellis, Larry Green, Leslie Martin, Doris Roberts, Reuel Stallones, Lee Stauffer and Allan Tucker -- helped shape accreditation as we know it today.

You also became one of the few people ever to be "recycled" for service as a CEPH Councilor a second time. I am sure it must be a coincidence that only environmentalists thus far have achieved this distinction! At any rate, your latest term as a Councilor was a wonderful opportunity for me to get to know you, to appreciate your skills as a public health statesman, and to just plain like you as a person. I hope our professional paths will cross soon again.

Sincerely,



Patricia P. Evans
Executive Director

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10 June 1988

Larry Gordon, Secretary
New Mexico Health and Environment Department
700 Camino de Salud NE
Albuquerque, NM 87106

Dear Larry:

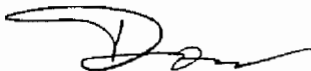
So, another major change in your life takes place and two new careers begin, one for you and one for your successor. Your departure from the program will be very much regretted I'm sure; but, the challenges and opportunities of retirement are undoubtedly attractive to you.

You've been one of the rocks in the foundation of Environmental Health for many years, placing the welfare of others and programs above your own. Now it is time for a change in priorities -- to put yourself at the top of the list. Your outstanding contributions to Environmental Health have been recognized by your peers. No one could fail to be impressed with your record of achievement; but, as it does for all of us, there comes a time for change.

Consider this letter my personal expression of appreciation for the many contributions you have made to the field of Environmental Health over the years. I hope I shall be able to wear my years as well as you have yours -- with dignity, open-mindedness and kindness towards all people whatever their age, personal or professional views. May I be as young at heart at retirement as you are.

You have my very best wishes for a happy and healthy retirement. I look forward to the times our paths shall cross again.

Sincerely,



Donald E. Barber, Ph.D.



NEW MEXICO TUMOR REGISTRY
THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO
MEDICAL CENTER

ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO 87131

June 13, 1988

Larry Gordon
Secretary
Health and Environment Department
State of New Mexico
Santa Fe, NM 87504

Dear Larry:

All of us at the New Mexico Tumor Registry salute you on this occasion of your retirement! It is really going to be hard to imagine you not being deeply involved in all of the major public health issues of New Mexico, or of the whole country for that matter.

I want to thank you for the interest and support that you have given to me personally during the past 19 years that I have been privileged to be a part of the New Mexico scene. I have fond and vivid memories of your leadership in the brain-storming and planning sessions relating to the State Lab concept and the OMI and the building that houses them. Your interest in using epidemiology as a tool for improving health in this state provided me with much-needed encouragement and help on more than one occasion.

Over the years, I have really enjoyed the reprints, editorials and speeches that you have shared with me! Now with "time on your hands", I hope you will continue to share your experience, thoughts and insights with us.

Your "official" presence will truly be missed! Please stay close enough that we can still find you for some advice and counsel.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Charles'.

Charles R. Key, MD
Professor of Pathology
Medical Director,
New Mexico Tumor Registry



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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

May 24, 1988

The Honorable Larry Gordon, Secretary
Health and Environment
P.O. Box 968
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-0968

Dear Larry,

Just got the press release from the Governor's Cabinet office about your most recent resignation. You have been such a prominent and beneficial feature of the history of New Mexico that it is difficult to imagine what the future will be like without your guidance. I suspect that we won't have to find out about that for many years to come.

I know that this does not signal the end of your role in public health, but it shouldn't pass without noting the significance of your contributions -- both as the leader of an especially important state agency, and as a signal to young people contemplating a career in public health that it can be a marvelous experience.

I hope that the reasons for your resignation are pleasant ones.

Sincerely,

George Pickett, MD, MPH



The University of New Mexico

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Planning Officer
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May 31, 1988

Larry Gordon
Secretary
Health and Environment Department
P.O. Box 968
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-0968

Dear Larry:

All of us who labor to make New Mexico a safer and healthier place to live are unhappy to see you resign as Secretary, but we understand the personal reasons for doing so. If anyone in New Mexico could ever be called "Mr. Health", it certainly would be you. No one has made the contributions you have in terms of installing professional people and professional standards within the Health and Environment Department. All of your activities throughout your illustrious career within New Mexico have made New Mexico a much better place to live!

We truly hope that you will maintain your interest in health. For example, we are looking forward to your continued work within the Governor's Health Policy Advisory Committee. There are numerous ways that you can continue to make a significant impact upon health. We look forward to your continued participation in professional organizations and with your continuing desire to initiate educational programs for health service workers at the University of New Mexico.

It is almost impossible to describe the impact that you have had upon people working within health services and upon the citizens of New Mexico. We thank you for many jobs extremely well done!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Max".

Max D. Bennett, Ph.D.
Chairman, Governor's Health Policy Advisory Committee
Associate Professor, Family, Community and
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June 13, 1988

Dear Larry:

When I received the letter stating that friends were planning a retirement party for you, my first thought was: "He's too young to retire!"

I first met you at an APHA meeting years ago, but did not really know you until we served as fellow councilors on CEPH. One of the fringe benefits of serving on the Council is having the opportunity to work with other health professionals such as you. I certainly was aware of your contributions to the field of public health generally and environmental health in particular before then, but it was a real pleasure to find that you more than lived up to your reputation! You have been an articulate and effective spokesman for all of public health, and your contributions to the field over the years have been enormous.

My very best to you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Winona", written in dark ink.

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OFFICE OF THE VICE CHANCELLOR
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June 3, 1988

Mr. Larry Gordon, Secretary
New Mexico Health and
Environment Department
Albuquerque, NM 87106

Dear Larry:

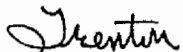
I am pleased to write this letter on the occasion of your retirement from the field of public health. However, I do hope that you will continue to serve the profession in some way during your retirement. You are too valuable a resource!

It has been a privilege for me to have had an opportunity to work with you on committees and various projects during the past several years. I consider you a mentor in that I have acquired a better understanding of public health as a result of my association with you.

Your considerable contributions have significantly altered public health even though your solutions may have seemed "radical" to some. History has proven that your approaches were appropriate - everyone else had to catch up.

I extend my best wishes to you and your family and look forward to seeing you in the near future.

Sincerely,



Trenton G. Davis, Dr.P.H.
Associate Vice Chancellor
for Academic Support
and
Professor of Environmental
Health

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cc: Dr. Loris W. Hughes

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June 7, 1988

Mr. Larry Gordon
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Albuquerque, New Mexico 87106

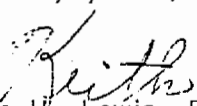
Dear Larry:

Congratulations on attaining retirement while you are still able to enjoy the freedom that it can give you. On the basis of fifteen years as a retiree from the Federal Government, I recommend you take the opportunity to do some of the things that satisfy you without respect to their value.

The real benefits of retirement are the activities that occupy the mind and stimulate the body. Idleness is our worst enemy.

May you have a long and active retirement.

Sincerely yours,


Keith H. Lewis, Ph.D.
Professor
Environmental Health



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June 7, 1988

Larry Gordon, MPH
Secretary
New Mexico Health and Environment Dept.
Scientific Laboratory Division
700 Camino de Salud NE
Albuquerque, NM 87106

Dear Larry:

This is just a note to express my congratulations at this time of your retirement from a distinguished career in service to the State of New Mexico. You have provided remarkable contributions to environmental and public health. I am certainly pleased that our paths have crossed so many times during the last 20 years.

As I reflect a bit on those past associations, among others, two thoughts immediately surface. The first; I certainly have appreciated your thoughts (and demonstration of) how a public health agency should be organized. Second; your commitment to development of your professional staff is exemplary. Obviously, one reason the latter comes to mind is that I have been at the institution (Minnesota and now Washington) where we see many high quality New Mexico program applicants. I note that there will be five new students from New Mexico in this year's EDP class.

I hope we will cross paths again in the future, maybe via our mutual interest in the USPHS Commissioned Corps. I am looking forward to an assignment again this summer.

Best wishes in the days ahead.

Sincerely,

Roger L. DeRoos, PhD, MPH
Director
Extended MPH Degree Program

John R. Fleming
19291 Ottawa Lane
Big Rapids, Michigan 49307

June 9, 1988

Dear Larry:

It is hard to envision the field of public health without Larry Gordon deeply engaged in the forefront of the debates and the programs. You have truly been a leader and mover.

I was particularly pleased to have the opportunity of welcoming you to the club, that large band of retirees who have found that there is a good life after the battles of the work-a-day world. Rita and I find ourselves busier than we ever were when working, but the pace and directions of life are largely of our choice.

So plunge in old friend. Pack your gear, climb those mountains, drink in the beauties of nature, and enjoy your family to the hilt. Hopefully, we will meet along the trail and relive some of our past and look to the future. Best wishes for the best of years.

Jack.



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June 9, 1988

Mr. Larry Gordon, Secretary
New Mexico Health & Environment Dept.
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87106

Dear Larry:

It gives me great pleasure to offer my congratulations on the completion of a distinguished career with the State of New Mexico, and to express my best wishes for your continued health and happiness as you begin your retirement.

I know of no other individual who has served as a better role model and and who has exemplified the true meaning of the word "professional" in the field of environmental health. Your many accomplishments, awards, and positions of leadership have brought honor to the title of sanitarian.

It has been a privilege to have had many personal and professional contacts with you through the years. I and my fellow faculty members at the University of Massachusetts are especially appreciative of your visits here to offer consultation and guidance in the improvement of our graduate and undergraduate programs in environmental health. Your positive influence has certainly spread far beyond the borders of New Mexico.

As another "old timer" in the field, I will be joining you in retirement this year. I have been granted the title of Professor Emeritus effective September 1, 1988. I am sure that I am sharing some of the same mixed feelings that you have about retirement after many years of service, but on the whole, I am looking forward to this as a new adventure in my life.

I hope our paths will cross in the near future so we drink a toast together to this new phase in our lives.

Sincerely,

Howard A. Peters, Ph.D.
Associate Professor of
Public Health

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The University of Texas
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June 10, 1988

Larry Gordon
Secretary
New Mexico Health and
Environmental Department
P.O. Box 968
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Gordon:

The notice of your forthcoming retirement arrived last week. Best wishes for happiness, health, and many years in which to continue to enjoy new experiences.

Certainly, those of us in Public Health, hope that you will continue to remain active in the field in some capacity. These next few years will provide us with some of the greatest challenges to date in Environmental Health. Those of us employed in the routine activities of environmental work certainly will want, and need, to seek your advice and council in meeting these challenges.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank you for the time and energy that you have given to support education for health professionals. Through the years you have served as the "first teacher" to many in Public Health. Many careers and contributions in Public Health can be traced directly to your words of encouragement and the high standards for excellence that you have always maintained.

Thank you for being there to shape Public Health and the field of Environmental Health.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jacqueline", is written over the typed name.

Jacqueline Shields, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor

Yale University

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June 13, 1988

Mr. Larry J. Gordon
Secretary
New Mexico Health and Environment Department
Scientific Laboratory Division
700 Camino de Salud NE
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87106

Dear Larry,

On the eve of your retirement from government service, I wish to join your associates and colleagues in saluting you and expressing our gratitude for the great service you have provided and for your numerous contributions to public health in general and to environmental health specifically. Millions of people have benefitted and will continue to benefit from your leadership and service.

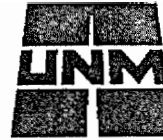
I am sure that your retirement will not bring to a close your work in public health and environmental health. I am sure that you will continue to be active, just as I have been since my own retirement. I expect that you will be retired in name only, but will continue to work on some of your favorite activities.

Larry, we thank you for your great service. I sincerely hope that in your retirement you will find happiness and a sense of accomplishment. Also, I wish you good health.

Sincerely,



Eric W. Mood
Associate Clinical Professor
Emeritus of Public Health



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May 19, 1988

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Larry Gordon
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I am enclosing a few recent reprints that I thought you might enjoy reading in your increased leisure time. I look forward to seeing you in the future.

Sincerely,

Jonathan M. Samet, M.D.
Professor of Medicine

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November 28, 1988

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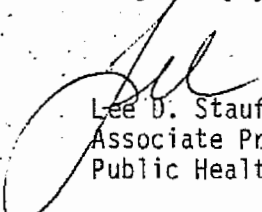
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All my best personal wishes.

Very truly yours,



Lee D. Stauffer
Associate Professor and Chair
Public Health Administration

LDS/mgd



June 28, 1988

Mr. Larry Gordon
7100 Carriveau, N.E.
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87110

Dear Larry:

I just learned of your plans to retire from the New Mexico State Government.

You have had a highly distinguished career and have made numerous significant contributions to the environmental health profession. Your efforts at the local, State and Federal levels to improve public health are well known and appreciated by those of us working in the field.

I sincerely hope you will enjoy your retirement and that as time permits, you will remain involved with the numerous public health activities you initiated.

Kind personal regards.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Frank", is written above the typed name.

Frank S. Lisella, Ph.D.
Principal Research Scientist

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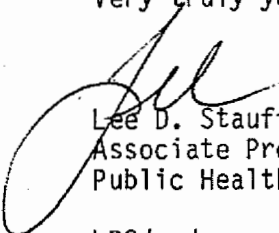
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June 28, 1988

Mr. Larry Gordon
New Mexico Health and
Environment Department
Scientific Lab Division
700 Camino de Salud NE
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87106

Dear Larry:

On the occasion of your retirement, I want to congratulate you on a distinguished career in Public and Environmental Health.

Your leadership of the profession, your dedication and your progressive views and actions will remain as formidable landmarks in the history of the field.

I have enjoyed the warmth of your friendship and the intellectual stimulation of your professional association.

Knowing that your active mind will never retire, I am looking forward to interacting with you again in another professional endeavor.

With my warmest personal regards and wishes for a happy and prosperous future.

Sincerely,

Amer El-Ahraf, Dr. P. H.
Associate Vice President, Academic Resources
Professor of Health Science and Human Ecology

AEA/hd

Dear friend Larry:

Like your family, I too feel touched by this singular achievement - because when one of our own is honored - we all are rewarded.

This is not only a recognition of your distinguished service to our chosen field and your leadership for environmental health and public health in general - it is a recognition of the merit of the work that you and your band of brothers have committed themselves to for these countless decades.

You have achieved excellence and it is been recognized by the academic community. And your excellence is no accident or happenstance of chance. It is the result of high intention, sincere effort, intelligent application, skilled performance and the vision to see obstacles to a better environmental condition as "opportunities" to be of service.

Dr. Gordon, you are a credit to our profession and indeed to our great nation and I am but one of many who are proud to be called colleagues and friends.

With respect,

Jerry Michael

See what's free at AOL.com.

Main Identity - Backup

From: "Conway, John B. (HSC)" <John-Conway@ouhsc.edu>
: "Larry and Nedra" <1016Larry@msn.com>
sent: Monday, May 14, 2007 12:50 PM
Subject: RE: Honorary Degree

Larry,

Fantastic and well deserved. Those of us in the environmental health field owe you much and are proud of you. When someone asks me who my mentors were in Environmental Health, I always mention my academic advisor at Minnesota, Ted Olson, and then the following three professionals: 1) Larry Gordon; Ray Watts of Ohio; and Sam Reed of Washington. How could anyone do better?

My best to you and your family.

Jack

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From: <rgalvan245@charter.net>
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Subject: Re: Train Ride

THANK YOU NEDRA AND LARRY.

YOU CANNOT BEGIN TO REALIZE HOW MUCH YOU HAVE ENRICHED THE LIVES OF SO MANY INDIVIDUALS WITH YOUR KNOWLEDGE, EXAMPLE AND PROFESSIONALISM. LARRY, YOU ARE TRULY THE BEACON AND I AM HONORED YOU HAVE YOU AS MY COLLEAGUE, BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY, MY FRIEND. MY VERY BEST REGARDS. BOB

---- Larry and Nedra <1016Larry@msn.com> wrote:

3/24/2008