Former Mayor Charles “Chuck” Aronberg M.D. Passes Away

Beverly Hills – The City of Beverly Hills has learned that former Mayor Charles “Chuck” Aronberg, M.D. passed away on Thursday, November 9th. Aronberg had served as a Beverly Hills Councilmember for 12 years in addition to his two terms serving as Mayor: 1974-1975 and 1979-1980. The City has lowered its flag to half-staff.

“Mayor’ Dr. Aronberg, Chuck, was an exceptional physician and a remarkably dedicated public servant,” said Beverly Hills Mayor Dr. Julian Gold. “He served as councilmember and mayor and his amazing achievements span decades, from developing the Joint Powers Agreement with our School District to bringing the paramedic program to Beverly Hills. His legacy will live on for many generations and he will be deeply missed.”
Aronberg was born in Chicago on August 30, 1930 and moved to Los Angeles when he was just 10 years old. He graduated from Los Angeles High School at the age of 15.

Despite having an interest in law, Aronberg specialized in ophthalmology and eventually served as the official team doctor for the Lakers, Raiders and Kings and consulted for UCLA and the Dodgers. His extensive experience also entailed being the physician for two Olympic games.

He has earned numerous accolades including UCLA’s Alumnus of the Year for Community Service and Alumnus of the year for UCSF School of Medicine.

Aronberg was a supporter of seat belt legislation and its installation in all cars. He worked with Ralph Nader to mandate a number of safety improvements and also worked with Congressman Henry Waxman during the development of both the clean air and water acts.

In 2022, during her term as Mayor, Councilmember Lili Bosse awarded Aronberg with the prestigious ‘Key to the City’ – the highest symbolic honor the Mayor and City Council could bestow on an individual for his support and achievements that impacted the Beverly Hills community.

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