WHEREAS, Iowa's economy in both agriculture and manufacturing is undergoing a restructuring; and

WHEREAS, the future economic prosperity of Iowa depends upon our ability to respond to shifting economic trends; and

WHEREAS, a comprehensive economic strategy must be developed for Iowa to guide policy initiatives; and

WHEREAS, all sectors of Iowa's economy must work together to develop a consensus on an economic strategy for Iowa; and

WHEREAS, the Governor's Committee on Iowa's Future and Growth and the General Assembly suggested the creation of an Iowa Partnership for Economic Progress to develop a consensus on economic development strategies for our state.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Terry E. Branstad, Governor of the State of Iowa, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the laws and Constitution of the State of Iowa do hereby create an Iowa Partnership for Economic Progress composed of 13 members appointed by the Governor from the government, business, education and labor sectors of Iowa. The chairperson shall be appointed by the Governor, all members shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor, and meet upon the call of the chair.

The Partnership shall:

I. Review the studies of Iowa's economy, including the report of the Governor's Committee for Iowa's Future Growth, and develop strategies for economic development policy for the state;

II. Review and further develop the recommendations of the Committee on Iowa's Future Growth;

III. Develop consensus on important economic development issues;

IV. Identify areas where partnership efforts among state and local government, education, labor and business can assist in the job creation efforts in Iowa;
V. Identify policy initiatives needed to further the economic development strategy for Iowa;

VI. Identify organization and research needs for economic development efforts in the state; and

VII. Report to the Governor and the General Assembly on the above and other matters deemed important, as appropriate.

The Partnership shall utilize the Development Commission staff and shall seek support from private sector and educational institutions in the state.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Great Seal of the State of Iowa to be affixed. Done at Des Moines this 16th day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-five.

Mary J. Brandstatter
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

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SECRETARY OF STATE