

# **Attachment No. 1**

## RESUME OF ELIZABETH GARST

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### EDUCATION:

- 1978-1980 HARVARD BUSINESS SCHOOL BOSTON, MA  
Received M.B.A. in 1980. Concentration in Agribusiness. First Year Honors.
- 1973-1976 MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY EAST LANSING, MI  
Received M.S. in Agricultural Economics in 1976. Emphasis in International Development and Farm Management. Worked as Research Assistant and Instructor.
- 1969-1973 STANFORD UNIVERSITY PALO ALTO, CA  
Received B.A. in English Literature in 1973.

### WORK EXPERIENCE:

- 1997 - Present GARST FAMILY BUSINESSES COON RAPIDS, IA  
Garst Family Business Manager and director of family businesses including community banks headquartered in Jefferson and Perry Iowa; an insurance agency and family farms.
- 2004 - 2006 WHITEROCK CONSERVANCY COON RAPIDS, IA  
Acting Executive Director of a new non-profit land trust.
- 1997-2007 GARST FARM RESORT COON RAPIDS, IA  
Founder and manager of Garst Farm Resorts, a rural resort offering a variety of accommodations, recreation and educational activities.
- 1997-1998 DALLAS COUNTY DEVELOPMENT, INC PERRY, IA  
Executive Director, part-time, of a county-wide non-profit economic development organization.
- 1987-1997 RACCOON VALLEY STATE BANK ADEL, IA  
President, CEO and Chair of the Board of a thriving community bank.
- 1982-1986 GARST SEED COMPANY COON RAPIDS, IA  
Treasurer and Business Manager. Oversaw business operations, administration and finance, during a period of dramatic change in ownership and business strategy.
- 1980-1982 WORLD BANK WASHINGTON, DC  
Researched international grain trade strategies and served as an economist in Malaysia. Promoted to Investment Officer in the Treasurer's Department. Conducted statistical studies of bond swap strategies, managed several portfolios of \$10-\$20 million, and established a "repo" trading program.
- 1976-1978 PEACE CORPS TIBAITATA, COLOMBIA  
Economist with the Agricultural Institute of Colombia. Wrote training manuals for rural development economists, worked with a multidisciplinary team to establish research priorities, and served as editor of Division publications. Trained other Peace Corps Volunteers.

### CIVIC ACTIVITIES:

Board member of Whiterock Conservancy. Speakers Bureau for Humanities Iowa. Advisor, Environmental Law and Policy Center. Member, Guthrie County Democrat Central Committee. Board member, Riley Resource Group. Past board service: Iowa Environmental Council, Iowa Natural Resources Commission, Iowa Bankers Association, Iowa and American Civil Liberties Union, Iowa Chapter Nature Conservancy, Wallace House Foundation, Iowa Research Council, Coon Rapids Development Group, etc. Unsuccessful campaign for Iowa Senate, 1994. Frequent speaker on agriculture and soil, the environment and family history. Iowa Business Hall of Fame, 2023.