## **UNITED STATES** SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 **SCHEDULE 14A**

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#### You invested in THE HERSHEY COMPANY and it's time to vote!

You have the right to vote on proposals being presented at the 2022 Annual Meeting of Stockholders. This is an important notice regarding the availability of proxy materials for the Annual Meeting to be held on May 17, 2022.

#### Get informed before you vote

View the Notice of 2022 Annual Meeting and Proxy Statement and 2021 Annual Report to Stockholders online OR you can receive a free paper or email copy of the material(s) by requesting prior to May 3, 2022. If you would like to request a copy of the material(s) for this and/or future stockholder meetings, you may (1) visit www.ProxyVote.com, (2) call 1-800-579-1639 or (3) send an email to sendmaterial@proxyvote.com. If sending an email, please include your control number (indicated below) in the subject line. Unless requested, you will not otherwise receive a paper or email copy.

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This is an overview of the proposals being presented at the upcoming Annual Meeting. Please follow the instructions on the reverse side to vote these important matters.

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3.	Approve named executive officer compensation on a non-binding advisory basis.				
4.	. Stockholder Proposal entitled "End Child Labor in Cocoa Production."				

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