STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

- ] Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue.
- Name and Address of Reporting Person(s) Raymond 100 Crystal A Drive

Hershey, Pennsylvania 17033

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Hershey Foods Corporation (HSY)

- 3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (Voluntary)
- 4. Statement for Month/Year

01/01

5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)
6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
[ ] Director [ ] 10% Owner
[X] Officer (give title below) [ ] Other (specify below)

V.P., Conversion & Procurement

7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)

[X] Form filed by One Reporting Person
[] Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially O	wned
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1)Title of Security	2)Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/Year)	3.Tra actio Code	n	4.Securities or Disposed o	f (I A or	` ,	5)Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month	6) D or I	7)Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
Common Stock Common Stock Common Stock Common Stock Common Stock Common Stock	12/31/00 12/31/00 12/31/00 12/31/00	A A	V V V	48.8900 (1) 0.1258 0.1258 1.1460	D A A	(2) (3) (3) (3)	2,130.0000 7,054.8700 26.9045 26.9045 245.1675	I I I	Direct 401(k) Plan by Daughter by Son 1 by Son 2

Table II (PART 1) Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (Columns 1 through 6)

1)Title of Derivative Security	2)Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	3)Trans- action Date	4)Trans- action Code	5)Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		6)Date Exerc Expiration D	
	Security		Code V	A	D	Exercisable	Expiration

Non-Qualified Stock Option 01/09/11 \$58.50000 01/10/01 9,750,0000

(right to buy) (4)

Table II (PART 2) Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (Columns 1,3 and 7 through 11)

1)Title of Derivative Security -	3)Trans- action Date	7)Title and Amount of Underlying Securities Title	Amount or Number of Shares	8)Price of Deri- vative Security	9)Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month	D	11)Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	

Non-Qualified Stock Option 01/10/01 Common Stock 9,750.0000 9,750.0000 D Direct

(right to buy) (4)

## Explanation of Responses:

This entry represents a reduction in the balance of shares allocated to the account of the reporting person in the Hershey Foods Corporation Employee Savings, Stock Investment and Ownership Plan (ESSIOP). To manage liquidity needs of the Plan, the ESSIOP fiduciary from time-to-time maintains a lower overall share balance (versus cash) in the Plan, which in this instance resulted in a reduction in the number of shares allocated to the reporting person's account when compared to the prior Form 4 report. (2)

See footnote (1) above. The closing price on December 29, 2000 was \$64.375. The exact price of each share at date of disposition is not readily determinable.

(3) These shares were acquired from November 1, 2000 through December 31, 2000 pursuant to a Hershey Foods Dividend Reinvestment Plan. These shares were purchased at various intervals throughout the period and the closing price on December 29, 2000 was \$64.375. The exact price of each share at date of acquisition is not readily determinable.

These options were granted under the Hershey Foods Corporation Key Employee Incentive Plan, and they have a stock withholding feature which permits the withholding of shares of stock at the time of exercise to satisfy the grantee's

income tax withholding rights.

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON /S/ Brace , Raymond DATE 02/06/2001