

FORM 4
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue.

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person(s)
Alexander, William H.
16 Wagner Street

Hummelstown, PA 17036

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
01/00

5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)

6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1) Title of Security	2) Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/Year)	3) Trans- action Code Code V	4) Securities Acquired(A) or Disposed of (D) Amount Price	5) Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month	6) Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership D or I	7) Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership D or I
Common Stock				1,500.0000	D	Direct
Common Stock	01/26/00	J	10.0000 (1) A	10.0000	I	by Daughter
Common Stock				36.0000	I	by Spouse
Common Stock				1,200.0000	I	by Trust

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 Security	3) Trans- action Date	4) Trans- action Code Code V	5) Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) A D	6) Date Exercisable and Expiration Date Exercisable Expiration

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	8) Price of Deri- vative Security Amount or Number of Shares	9) Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month	10) Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership D or I	11) Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership D or I

Explanation of Responses:

(1)
A gift of 10 shares to Mr. Alexander's daughter from a family member not residing in Mr. Alexander's household.

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON
/S/ Alexander, William H.
DATE 02/09/00