UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 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) Kenneth L 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)
[X] Director [] 10% Owner
[X] Officer (give title below) [] Other (specify below) Chairman and CEO 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 Owned 3.Trans- 4.Securities Acquired(A) 1)Title of Security 2)Trans-5)Amount of 6) 7)Nature of Securities Indirect action action or Disposed of (D) Beneficially D Beneficial Code Α Date (Month/ or Owned at or Ownership D Price Day/Year) Code V Amount End of Month Т 132,982.0000 D Direct Common Stock I 401(k) Plan I by Spouse 12/31/00 V 1.3200 A (1) 386.4300 Common Stock 100.0000 Common Stock Table II (PART 1) Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (Columns 1 through 6) 2)Conversion 3)Trans- 4)Trans- 5)Number of Derivative 6)Date Exercisable and or Exercise action action Securities Acquired (A) Expiration Date Price of Date Code or Disposed of (D) 1)Title of Derivative Security Derivative Code V A D Exercisable Expiration Security Non-Qualified Stock Option \$58.50000 01/10/01 66,400.0000 01/09/11 (right to buy) (2) 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	Amount or Number of	8)Price of Deri- vative Security	9)Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at	10) D or I	11)Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
-		Title	Shares		End of Month		

66,400.0000 Non-Qualified Stock Option 01/10/01 Common Stock 66,400.0000 D Direct

(right to buy) (2)

Explanation of Responses:

These shares were acquired from November 1, 2000 through December 31, 2000 pursuant to the Hershey Foods Corporation Employee Savings, Stock Investment and Ownership Plan (ESSIOP). 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.

(2)

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.