

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

May 22, 2024

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

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THE HERSHEY COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

1-183

(Commission File Number)

23-0691590

(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

19 East Chocolate Avenue

Hershey, PA 17033

(Address of principal executive offices)
(Zip Code)

(717) 534-4200

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- ☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, one dollar par value	HSY	New York Stock Exchange

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging Growth Company ☐

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. ☐

Item Other Events.
8.01.

The Hershey Company (the “Company”) regrets to report that on May 22, 2024, Robert M. Dutkowsky, a member of the Company’s Board of Directors since August 2020, passed away. Mr. Dutkowsky, age 69, served as Chair of the Finance and Risk Management Committee and was a member of both the Executive Committee and the Governance Committee.

The Company is grateful for Mr. Dutkowsky’s dedication and service and extends its deepest sympathies to his family.

Item Financial Statements and Exhibits.
9.01.

(d) Exhibits.

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

THE HERSHEY COMPANY

Date: May 22, 2024

By: /s/ James Turoff

James Turoff
Senior Vice President, General Counsel and
Secretary