## בְּרָכוֹת כְּלָלִיּוֹת לחֵג החֲנוּכָּה

Bərakhot kəlaliyot leḥag Haḥanukah

Inclusive Blessings for Chanukah

בְּרוּכֶה אַתָּה יהוה אֱלֹהֵינוּ חֵי הָעוֹלְמִים אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשֶׁתְנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתֵיהָ וְצֵוְּתְנוּ

לְהַדְלִיק נֵר שָׁל חֲנֻכָּה

Bərukheh ateh BO'ÉREH

Elohéinu hei ha'olamim

asher qidəshétnu bəmitzvotéihe vətzivétnu

ləhadliq ner shel Ḥanukah

Blessed are You, BLAZING ONE,

our God, Life of endless worlds,

Who made us holy with Voix commandments and commanded us

to kindle the lights of Chanukah.

בְּרוּכֶה אַתֶּה יהוה

אֱלֹהֵינוּ חֵי הָעוֹלָמִים

שֶׁעשְׂתֶה נָסִּים לְקוֹדְמִימוֹתֵינוּ

בַּיָמִים הָהֵם בַּזְמַן הַזֶּה

Bərukheh ateh BO'ÉREH

Elohéinu ḥei ha'olamim
shə'astè nisim ləqodəmimotéinu
bayamim hahem bazəman hazeh

Blessed are You, BLAZING ONE, our God, Life of endless worlds, who performed miracles for our ancestors in those days, at this time.

When lighting for the first time this year:

בְּרוּכֶה אַתֶּה יהוה אֱלֹהֵינוּ חֵי הָעוֹלָמִים שֶׁהֶחֶיֶתְנוּ וְקִיְּמֶתְנוּ וְהִגִּייֶעֶתְנוּ לַדְּמֵן הַזֶּה

Bərukheh ateh BO'ÉREH

Elohéinu ḥei ha'olamim sheheḥeyétnu vəqiyəmétnu vəhigi'étnu lazəman hazeh Blessed are You, BLAZING ONE,

our God, Life of endless worlds,

Who has made us live, and preserved us, and brought us

to this season.

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These inclusive Blessings for Channukah were assembled by Maia Seven, based on the Shabbat candlelighting blessing in Siddur Davar Ḥadash, assembled by brin solomon for the <a href="Inclusive Siddur Project">Inclusive Siddur Project</a>:

"The Inclusive Siddur Project is an attempt to imagine what a fully inclusive, de-stigmatized Jewish liturgy might look like. The main release is Siddur Davar Ḥadash, a nondenomenational Ashkenazi siddur. The siddur uses a modified and expanded version of the Nonbinary Hebrew Project's third-gender Hebrew system to refer to G-d as well as to human worshipers across the entire liturgy. In addition, the siddur replaces passages of the standard liturgy that are sexist, ableist, xenophobic, or otherwise stigmatizing, finding alternatives — in Hebrew and in English — that are not demeaning."

Learn more: <a href="https://inclusivesiddur.com/">https://inclusivesiddur.com/</a>

For more information about the Nonbinary Hebrew Project, please visit: www.nonbinaryhebrew.com

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