

**Ashrei Ha-Gafrur**  
**(Blessed is the Match)**  
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Ash - rei ha - ga - frur she - nis - raf v' - hi - tzit l' - ha -  
 vot. Ash - rei ha - le - ha - va she - ba - a -  
 ra b' - sit - rei l' - va - vot. Ash - rei hal - va - vot she - yad -  
 'u l' - kha - dol b' - kha - vod. Ash - rei ha - ga -  
 frur she - nis - raf v' - hi - tzit l' - ha - vot.

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 אֲשֵׁרֵי הַלֵּהָבָה שֶׁבְּעֵרָה בְּסִתְרֵי לְבָבוֹת.  
 אֲשֵׁרֵי הַלְּבָבוֹת שֶׁיָּדְעוּ לְחַדּוֹל בְּכָבוֹד.  
 אֲשֵׁרֵי הַגַּפְרוּר שֶׁנִּשְׂרַף וְהִצִּית לְהַבּוֹת.

Blessed is the match consumed in kindling flame.  
 Blessed is the flame which burns in the heart's secret places.  
 Blessed is the heart with strength to stop its beating for honor's sake.  
 Blessed is the match consumed in kindling flame.

*Hannah Szenes (1921-1944)*