Blessing over the Candles

The lighting of candles as sunset approaches on Friday is the traditional sign of the arrival of Shabbat. After lighting the candles, it is customary to cover the eyes and recite the following:

כְּרוּחַ אֲשֶׁר בְּאַלְמַנְיָהוּ הַלֵּךְ, אֲשֶׁר קִדְשָׁנֻנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָו וְזִיָּנוּנֻנוּ לֶחֱדַלֵיקַ נֶר שֵׁל שָׁבָּת.

Baruch at Adonai, Eloheinu Melech ha-olam, asher kidshanu b’mitzvotav vitzivancu l’hadlik ner shel Shabbat.

Blessed are You, God, Ruler of the universe, who sanctified us with the commandment of lighting Shabbat candles.

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