Unity Candle Ceremony Script

Officiant: We will now perform the lighting of the unity candle, a ritual that symbolizes the decision of two individuals coming together freely to form one lasting union.

I ask the couple to step forward as I light each of their individual candles.

[The couple can hold the candles as the officiant lights them one at a time or the candles can be lit while on the table.]

Officiant: [As Partner 1’s candle is lit] This candle is [Partner 1], in whom a bright light shines - - lit by years of guidance and love provided by their family and friends.

We send gratitude to all of these family and friends, those who are with us here today (and those who cannot be), for protecting this light, for nurturing it all of these years...

[As Partner 2’s candle is lit] This candle is [Partner 2], whose light shines equally as bright -- as it was also lit and protected for years by the loved ones present here today.

Now the love of these two individuals comes together as one.

I ask that you light the unity candle together, and in doing so pledge to always be each other's light, each other's flame in the darkness... Today you promise to always light the way for one another.