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RUNNING TRACK INCANTATION

Beat black earth like a drum
drumming immortality.
But pace yourself. Another comes
behind you, and his tread
is silent.
                Indefatigable,
he beats another kind of drum.
Pace yourself. And run. Run.

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