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Raphael J. Wahwassuck serves as a Tribal Council Member and the Tribal Historic Preservation Officer for the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation. A nationally recognized advocate for cultural preservation and repatriation, he brings over 15 years of experience advancing tribal sovereignty, historic site protection, and federal-tribal consultation policy. He is a graduate of the Harvard Business School Tribal Leaders Program and the Indigenous Leadership Academy at Arizona State University. Wahwassuck also advises the Field Museum and Northwestern University's Center for Native American and Indigenous Research and played a leading role in securing the return of 1,500 acres of Potawatomi ancestral land in Illinois.