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**FLOOR SPEECH ON H. RES. 716 RE: CYBER SECURITY**

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Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of House Resolution 716.

While the Internet offers a multitude of benefits, it can also pose threats such as identity theft and online scams. It's important to raise awareness of these threats and how they can be avoided.

Cyber security is also critical to our national security. A cyber attack against our nation could cripple our communications, destroy our energy grids, and damage our economy. We must take proactive steps today to prevent and respond to future attacks.

I also commend the Air Force for establishing a Cyber Command. Our nation must be able to defeat any adversary on tomorrow's cyber battlefield.

I thank my friend from Florida for yielding time, and urge my colleagues to support this resolution.