

TEETH ARE NOT JUST COSMETIC



I will only ever have two teeth because I was born with **ectodermal dysplasia**.

BUT

I **need teeth** to help me chew, eat and digest nutritious food so I can grow.

I **need teeth** in order to speak words clearly.

I **need teeth** to help me smile without being made fun of.

Insurance companies say dental care to replace my missing teeth is cosmetic.

Because of that, my parents and I will have to spend about \$150,000 in my lifetime for dentures and dental implants so that I always have teeth.



DO YOU STILL THINK TEETH ARE COSMETIC?

Ask your members of Congress to co-sponsor the Ensuring Lasting Smiles Act (ELSA).

Start at www.nfed.org/elsa.

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