N.Y. Times Endorses 12 McGovern

NEW YORK (AP) — The New York Times today endorsed the candidacy of Democratic presidential nominee George McGovern, saying this courage and forthrightness can offer a new kind of leadership in American political life.

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"We believe he can restore a sense of purpose to the American people as a whole, a sense of participation to their component parts and a sense of integrity to their government," the newspaper said in an editorial.

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"In these respects, it seems to us, the presidency of Richard M. Nixon has largely failed," the Times said. It appears to be without basic philosophy, without deeply held values, an administration whose guiding principle is expediency and whose overriding purpose is to remain in office," the Times said.