

Nixon's New Helper

Washington

Patricia Sullivan Lindh, appointed as special White House assistant for women's programs, said yesterday there would not have been a Watergate scandal if there had been more women in the top posts in the administration.

"I think we're more sensitive and have innate sense," Mrs. Lindh said at the news conference where her appointment was announced. Mrs. Lindh, 45, of Baton

Rouge, La., will serve as a special assistant to White House counselor Anne Armstrong. She replaces Jill Ruckelshaus, wife of the former deputy attorney general who served as a part time consultant on Mrs. Armstrong's staff.

Mrs. Lindh told reporters her aim will be to try to make middle-class women in America aware of the problems that are facing their sex and to get them behind the equal rights move-

ment. She said she feels women should be in policy levels of every department of government.

Since her marriage, she has lived abroad from 1955 to 1965 in Singapore, Kuwait and Pakistan. Her only job was as editor of the Singapore American newspaper. She is a graduate of Trinity College here.

Mrs. Lindh said she will be moving from Baton Rouge to the Washington area with her husband, Rob-

ert, a real estate and investments developer, and their three children, aged 8 to 14.

Mrs. Armstrong said Mrs. Lindh will resign her post as Republican national committee woman for Louisiana which she assumed last March. Her \$23,000 post at the White House will be full time.

"Most of all," said Mrs. Armstrong, "I choose her for her commitment to the advancement of women."

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